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CONNECTICUT TEACHER SHORTAGE

‘Rubber band is ready to break’

Educators stretched thin statewide with too few substitutes, too many mandates and kids in crisis

By Alison Cross
Hartford Courant

Like many teachers in low-income school districts, Erin Daly of Danbury learned to “do more with less.”

“We always heard that ‘teachers in Danbury are so awesome. They do so much more with so much less.’ Now we can’t do any more because there is no more. There’s no more to stretch,” Daly said. “That rubber band is ready to break.”

Last month, the American Federation of Teachers declared that the country’s educators have officially reached a breaking point.

Stress from the pandemic, disruptive student behavior, curriculum constraints, critical race theory debates and violence in classrooms have fueled a staffing shortage that education leaders are now calling a crisis.

For teachers in some of Connecticut’s largest and most underfunded districts, low salaries and high-need students compounded these problems, accelerating staff turnover and resignations last school year.

With a little over a month before the start of the 2022-2023 school year, seven of the state’s 10 largest districts reported 100 to 300 open positions in their schools.

Kate Dias, the president of the Connecticut Education Association and a math teacher at Manchester High School, said that Connecticut’s job market has become more competitive for educators.

“Districts that have currently had no problem filling jobs will have to go six to seven people deep,” Dias said. “They’ll offer a job to six people before they get an acceptance.”

Dias said that Connecticut is not experiencing a teacher “exodus” like other states are describing. She said that districts are seeing

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The proposed location of two residential buildings just west of LaSalle Road in West Hartford Center. At center, a parking lot would be replaced by 64 luxury condominiums built over a parking garage. At lower left, at the corner of LaSalle and Arapahoe roads, a second parking lot would be replaced by 21 apartments over storefront space. **SEAN PATRICK FOWLER/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

A plan to add units, ease housing crunch

Proposal would bring new condos, rentals to West Hartford Center

By Kenneth R. Gosselin | Hartford Courant

Tucked behind a tree-lined -road of high-end shops and trendy restaurants in West Hartford Center is the unexpected: a crumbling parking lot where a developer has plans that could ease the area’s housing crunch.

On that sprawling lot behind the west side of LaSalle Road, development partners see a 6-story building with 64 luxury condominiums rising — rivaling those of upscale Blue Back Square — with units tentatively priced at an average of $750,000.

With two condos on the market in and around the center as of last week and just one “coming soon,” the developers consider the market as ripe for the addition of more units.

Marc K. Lewis, principal managing member of Westport-based Lexham Realty and a partner in the proposal, said he expects at least half of the condos, which would be named “Center

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A rendering shows the condominiums that would be built as part of a residential development off LaSalle Road in West Hartford. **BEINFIELD ARCHITECTURE**

Biden weighs risks, rewards on visit

Mideast trip aimed at reassuring wary leaders

Associated Press

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia — Before stepping foot in Saudi Arabia, President Joe Biden knew there would be trouble.

Biden was risking criticism by visiting a country he had vowed to make a “pariah” for human rights abuses, and there was no guarantee the visit would immediately yield higher oil production to offset rising gas prices.

He decided to face the blowback anyway, hoping to use the visit to repair strained ties and make clear to wary Arab leaders that the United States remains committed to their security and the region’s stability.

His visit to Saudi Arabia was

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President Joe Biden and Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, center, gather Saturday for a photo during the Jeddah Security and Development Summit. **BMANDEL NGAN/POOL VIA GETTY-AFP**

Residents strain to cope with inflation

Conn. consumers learn to stick to necessities, ‘make adjustments’

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

MANCHESTER — Nicole Lemoine has a few strategies to escape the full impact of inflation that’s driving up the cost of food and groceries.

The Manchester resident pushes her cart along a supermarket’s outlying edge where fruit and vegetables, fish, meat and dairy items line the aisles and avoids many costly and unnecessary items on the shelves in the central area.

“You have to shop the store perimeter to save money and eat healthy,” Lemoine said outside Stop & Shop in Manchester where she was recently unloading bags into her vehicle. “You just have to say no to things.”

She skips chips, snacks and processed foods. “No Pop-Tarts,” Lemoine said. Same with paper plates that she said are selling for $18 a package. She also avoids purchasing items not marked down.

“We have to buy everything on sale,” Lemoine said.

The weekly grocery tab for herself, her husband and four children between the ages of 9 and 18 has climbed to $350, possibly $400, from about $250 a few months ago, she said.

Like most everyone else, Lemoine is losing purchasing power in the worst inflationary spiral to grip the U.S. since the early 1980s and is figuring out how to get by. Corporate executives are carefully watching changes in consumer behavior to determine whether adjustments are needed to preserve revenue and profitability.

‘Broad-based’ inflation increase

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Wednesday that prices in June jumped 9.1% year over year, describing the

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From problem to part of solution

From leader of the Latin Kings in the 1990s to leading Hartford youth to a better life, Diego Lopez has made the most of his second chance. **SUNDAY CT, PAGE 1**

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Park Place," would be purchased by buyers who are downsizing.

"I think the demand would be really significant," Lewis said. "Now they could have an in-town residence and not have to take care of a house and have all the benefits of being able to go out in town."

Lewis said he also sees the condos as potential second homes for buyers who may spend part of year in Florida and elsewhere.

Lexham, which owns buildings and parking around where the development is proposed, is partnering with the Simons family, which owns the Town Center building on nearby South Main, and the Manafort family, which owns a Plainville-based construction company.

The privately-financed project, estimated to cost between $50 million and $80 million, also includes 300-plus parking spaces — the majority of those below the condos in a 3-level parking garage, one level below ground.

A second, 4-story building also would be constructed on the more visible parking lot at the corner of LaSalle and Arapahoe for 21 rentals — four of them income-restricted "workforce" apartments — over storefront space.

The rents are projected to average in the mid-$2,000s for the studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments.

'It's really about traffic'

The proposed development is bounded closely on two sides by streets with single-family houses.

Neighbors on Arapahoe say they see the benefits of improving the tax base and getting rid of what one called a "junky parking lot." They also say they have to balance the benefits of walkability to the center with living side-by-side with the area's popularity.

But the developers may still have to sell neighbors on the idea, especially when it comes to increased traffic.

"We're open to the idea of in-fill like that, so that's good," Todd Parker, a resident on the street, said. "The major concerns that we have is that, it's really about traffic."

Parker said traffic intensified when LaSalle was made one way to allow restaurants to expand outdoor dining options during the pandemic — pushing a lot of traffic up Arapahoe, Parker said.

A rendering of the proposed apartment building over storefront space at the corner of LaSalle and Arapahoe roads in West Hartford Center. The apartments are part of a larger project that includes 64 condominiums and a parking garage in a separate building. **BEINFIELD ARCHITECTURE**

A rendering shows a pocket park planned near the corner of LaSalle and Arapahoe roads in West Hartford Center as part of a plan to add condominiums and apartments to the area. **BOHLER**

This rendering shows how an existing asphalt alleyway off LaSalle Road in West Hartford Center would be transformed into a new pedestrian way with seating, plantings and brick under foot. The walkway would lead to both the condominiums, seen here in the background, and new outdoor dining spaces. **BOHLER**

Parker said he only sees that getting worse with the new development because the two driveways to the condos and its garage — one reserved just for residents — are off Arapahoe.

"For us, when you start adding all those other cars, and if they are all pulling out onto this street — you can imagine — it would be very challenging," Parker said.

Both the town and the developers say they are continuing to study trends in traffic in the area.

All-time low vacancy

The plans for the additional condos and apartments have been contemplated for a half-dozen years but this latest proposal is still in the earliest stages of town review.

The proposal also comes as vacancy for rentals and condos up for sale in and around the center are essentially at an all-time low, town officials say.

The high occupancy also is spurring other housing construction nearby.

The building of 48 upscale apartments on Farmington Avenue — "The Byline" — is now underway, with the demolition of one of two existing buildings on the site now nearly complete.

And the buyer of the Children's Museum property diagonally across the street, is expected to propose apartments with more detailed plans expected later this month.

Kristen Gorski, West Hartford's economic development coordinator, said the town routinely hears from local real estate brokers that condos sell even quicker than apartments rent.

Within a half-mile from ground zero of the Center, at Main Street and Farmington Avenue, there are at least 500 condominiums in a broad range of ages.

In the last 12 months, about 60 have sold, according to data from the Multiple Listing Service. But there are few on the market at any one time, and there has been little new construction in recent years.

In the epicenter of the downtown area, the largest condominium development was 59 units at Blue Back Square and that was built 15 years ago.

If approved by town, the tentative prices for the Center Park Place condos could push above the list price for the one 2-bedroom, 1,300-square foot unit at Blue Back that is now on the market for $699,999.

The first condos could come up for sale in two years and could meet a market that has turned a bit more picky after the frenzied buying of the pandemic.

Carl A. Lantz III, a real estate agent at Coldwell Banker in West Hartford who has sold both new and existing condos, said the location "right smack in the middle of the Center" is a plus, but there will have to be the "highest-end" finishes and amenities.

Amenities planned include an indoor courtyard, pool, rooftop deck, outdoor terraces, high ceilings, a fitness room and green spaces surrounding the new building, including a pocket park. Details of finishes in the units are still being determined.

The developers hope to capitalize on the privacy of the area, yet still being close to activity.

"If they feel it is a good value, I think the demand would be through the roof," Lantz said.

Tight area for construction

The development faces construction challenges because the 6-story condominium building would be built in a very tight, enclosed area.

Construction will need to be even more choreographed than many development projects.

Two former houses, now offices, would be demolished near the corner of LaSalle and Arapahoe, providing entry to the condo construction site.

Later, this area would be used to create the two entrances to the garage, one just for residents and the other for the general public at night and on the weekend. This area would also include a pocket park and surface parking for the apartments.

The parking garage needs to be completed first to replace the parking spaces lost to the condo construction. Parking fees have yet to be determined, the developer says.

Construction of the apartments would come in a later stage of the development.

An alleyway off LaSalle to the condominium site would be transformed into pedestrian way, with seating, greenspace and a brick walkway leading to new outdoor dining spaces and the condominiums.

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Saturday, July 16

PLAY3 DAY 8 0 2 **WB:** 8

PLAY4 DAY 6 6 7 2 **WB:** 0

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FRIDAY'S LATE NUMBERS

PLAY3 NIGHT 3 3 6 **WB:** 1

PLAY4 NIGHT 4 8 0 7 **WB:** 6

CASH 5
8 9 18 30 31

LUCKY FOR LIFE
4 5 10 22 36 **LB:** 14

LOTTO
28 29 30 33 34 39
Zero first-prize ticket(s) sold.

MEGA MILLIONS
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Tuesday's est. Mega Millions jackpot: $530 million

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increase as broad-based. Gasoline, shelter and food were the greatest contributors, with the cost of food at home surging 12.2%.

The reasons are many and complicated, and inflation may have peaked as commodity prices are showing slight drops. But no one is predicting that inflation will be wrung out of the economy anytime soon.

Rising costs follow supply chain bottlenecks lingering from COVID-19 that coupled with surging demand by consumers who had been shut in by the pandemic. Energy costs have soared due to an uneven recovery from the pandemic when demand plummeted and has since snapped back. The invasion of Ukraine by Russia, a major exporter of natural gas, has rattled global energy markets.

Rising energy prices boost the cost of transporting everything from furniture to vegetables and are passed on to consumers in virtually everything they buy.

In an election year highlighted by inflation as a major political issue, some economists blame President Joe Biden and Democrats in Congress — and President Donald Trump earlier — for contributing to inflation by unleashing trillions of dollars in federal spending at a time of rising consumer demand and supply chain bottlenecks.

Retail analyst Burt P. Flickinger III said consumers have few choices as they navigate their way around rising prices. Selecting store brands can save shoppers as much as $5,000 a year, and bulk purchases at retailers such as Costco Wholesale Corp. and B.J.s Wholesale Club also can yield savings, he said.

Manchester resident Nicole Lemoine said her weekly tab for groceries has jumped to $350 or $400 from $250. She said she focuses on meats, vegetables and dairy at the supermarket and avoids chips, snacks and paper plates. **DOUGLAS HOOK PHOTOS/HARTFORD COURANT**

Anthony Francis, owner of Anthony's Jamaican Restaurant in Manchester, said he tries to reduce portions rather than raise prices to cope with inflation.

Bettina Brewer does shopping for people who find it difficult to get groceries themselves. She said it has become harder for her clients to buy the food they did in the past.

Aaron Landau and his grandmother Roseann Burgess fill up their SUV at a gas station in Manchester. She said she monitors how far she is driving compared to before.

Consumers' disposable income hit on all fronts

It's the first time inflation has reduced shoppers' disposable income in all 12 key monthly spending areas, putting "unprecedented pressure" on consumer spending, Flickinger said. He cited clothes and shoes, debt service, education, entertainment, food, health care, housing, insurance, mobile phones, taxes, transportation and utilities and services.

"There's no place to hide, except doing without," he said.

Anthony Francis, owner of Anthony's Jamaican Restaurant in Manchester, said he's limited in how he can respond to rising prices for food he buys. "I can't keep raising prices," he said. So he instead tries to reduce portions and look for the best deal.

Lettuce and peppers, for example, that cost $12 from a wholesaler a few months ago are now $17, he said. "It's just ridiculous."

Bettina Brewer of Glastonbury has been shopping for 16 years for Companions & Homemakers, which helps seniors with daily living. She said she pays as much as $50 more a week at the checkout, despite getting the lowest prices.

She buys more chicken than other meats, but on occasion will shop at high-end markets for meat. And Brewer said she tries to "stick to store brands" to save money. Price increases, she said, are "across the board."

Corporate executives see the impact on their profit and revenue from shifting consumer behavior. Doug McMillon, CEO of Walmart Inc., told analysts on a conference call in May reviewing first-quarter financial results that rising food costs "pulled more dollars away" from general merchandise than the retail giant had expected. Customers are increasingly buying store brands to save money, he said.

Todd Vasos, chief executive officer of Dollar General Corp., told industry analysts on a call in May that customers are starting to "shop more intentionally." Customer traffic was down, but consumers were buying more in response to inflation, he said.

That supports what Rory Smead, an associate professor of philosophy at Northeastern University, calls "inflationary psychology." Consumers have come to expect inflation from what they read and hear in the media and from their own observations.

Painful for low-wage to middle-income workers

"They spend money now because they worry about prices in the future," he said. "It drives up prices faster and leads to more inflation."

Inflation is particularly painful for low-wage to middle-income workers. Lemoine, who works with foster youth, said she recently got a $5-an-hour pay increase, but it barely makes a dent when she has to spend $50 or more to fill up at the gas station.

The impact of sharply higher prices is felt further up the salary scale, too. Smead said he and his wife pulled the plug on a big renovation of their Boston-area home. The project was not feasible due to rising interest rates and project quotes that were 70% to 100% more than the architect's estimate, he said.

That might not be the case for items that are not big-ticket purchases. Executives at Macy's told industry analysts in May that luxury sales "remained a standout," with shopping among high-income consumers less affected by inflation.

Motorists are catching a break — a very small one — as record high gas prices edge down. Lower prices follow falling demand, from 9 million barrels a day in June to about 8.6 million barrels now, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

But even falling oil prices are not entirely good news. Prices of numerous commodities are dropping on investor fears of a recession as Federal Reserve officials raise interest rates to combat inflation.

Gasoline is still not a bargain. It was selling for $4.46 a gallon at a Mobil station in Manchester where Roseann Burgess of Brooksville, Florida, recently filled up her SUV. That's nearly 40% higher than a year ago, according to federal energy officials.

Burgess said she monitors the distances she drives and consolidates errands to save money.

"It's out of control. I just don't know how people do it," she said.

Francis, the owner of the Jamaican restaurant, said the economy is in its worst shape since he got into business in 2008 at the start of the Great Recession.

"I didn't know what I was doing. I know what I'm doing now," he said. "You've got to make adjustments. All of life is adjustments."

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educators resign to take a position in a new district, not leave the profession. Although Connecticut did see a 22% increase in retirements during the 2020-2021 school year, the number of retirements this past school year reflected pre-pandemic levels.

A growing disparity

Dias said that this trend in Connecticut does not represent a statewide shortage but rather a shift among educators.

As COVID-19 drove teachers to retire or resign, pandemic funding from the federal government and the state allowed districts to add new positions and add to their staff, adding employment opportunities in well-paying districts.

"The most impacted areas were our high-needs districts where they struggle to get people," Dias said. "Normally educators tend to be very static. We get into the district that we feel comfortable with [and] we stay with that district. What we're seeing [now] is a much more transient population that shifts and moves to see what else is available."

Between the 2018-2019 and 2021-2022 school years, Connecticut added 1,238 educators to its roster, but not all districts saw growth. Nearly 44% of districts saw their educator population shrink or stay the same.

As the state added 273 positions for general education teachers, 85 of Connecticut's 199 districts lost teachers, including three of the state's five largest districts of Hartford (minus-63), Waterbury (minus-47) and Bridgeport (minus-22).

Over the last four years, the state also lost more than 130 general education paraprofessionals. The districts experiencing the largest loss included Norwalk (minus-149), Waterbury (minus-118) and Norwich (minus-82).

Substitutes in high demand, short supply

But even in the districts that saw staff growth, staffing shortages added stress to educators.

During the pandemic, retirees who filled the bulk of substitute teacher positions withdrew from classrooms to protect their health. At the same time, teacher resignations, COVID-19 exposures and long quarantine periods led to more teacher absences during a time when there were no subs. As a result, teachers were forced to cover for absent colleagues and lose valuable classroom prep time.

Many school districts are turning to private firms to help fill vacancies. Kelly Education serves 35 Connecticut school districts to help schools retain and hire substitute teachers. Danielle Nixon, the director of public relations for Kelly Education, said that the company expects to see substitutes continue to fill long-term vacancies in Connecticut schools.

"Over the last few years, our ability to recruit and retain substitute talent has been challenged due to the sudden increase in length and frequency of vacant positions," Nixon said. "Like the teacher shortage, COVID-related concerns coupled with pre-pandemic issues such as compensation have contributed to a decrease in substitute talent. However, we are seeing an increase in those interested in substitute teaching as districts across the nation increase pay rates, vaccines become more widely distributed and the benefits of flexible work schedules are more widely recognized."

Daly, the president of the National Education Association of Danbury and a third-grade teacher at the Pembroke School, described this past school year as "traumatic."

She said that teacher absences "caused a tremendous amount of overload for most teachers having to cover duties and classes that weren't traditionally their own. ... Years ago, you might have to cover if there was a flu epidemic going around or something like that, but it's pretty much the normal [now]. You come to school, you have a designated preparation period where you're supposed to be using it for planning for your next day's lessons. And you're told to cover another class."

Daly said that resignations are continuing throughout the summer and that within the last month 15 colleagues said they will not be returning to the district.

'Kids were in crisis this year'

For Daly and the teachers she represents, one of the hardest parts of the school year was an increase in the emotional and behavioral problems in students.

"That was actually the pinnacle of distress for us this year, because the social and emotional learning needs of our students were at such a high level," Daly said. "Kids were in crisis this year, for sure."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1 in 5 children suffers from a mental, emotional or behavioral disorder but only 20% of those children receive specialized mental health care.

Dias said that educators in schools across the state were presented with mental health challenges in their classrooms.

"Your average third-grade teacher doesn't have to get confronted with suicidal ideations, and it happened this year," Dias said. "I think the emotional stress of this year far exceeded what we expected it to. ... We really tried to emphasize there's so much going on in these buildings that everybody doesn't see."

Leslie Blatteau serves as president of the New Haven Federation of Teachers and teaches social studies at the Metropolitan Business Academy. She said that the students in New Haven and other low-income and urban districts were more likely to suffer through pandemic-related traumas and lose a family member to COVID-19.

"That disruption and that trauma then plays out in the classroom in the following year," Blatteau said. "The increase in violent behaviors and disruptive behaviors and really antisocial dysregulated behaviors was like nothing we've ever seen. We love our students, but when we see them in, in, in such a tremendous crisis, it is really, really hard."

Stressed, burned out, not coping well

Blatteau said that after a year of online learning, teachers were excited to get back into the classroom, but they were confronted with more challenges than before.

"We all knew that 2020-2021 was going to be a very hard school year. I think in that moment, [we] thought that was going to be the hardest year. ... We didn't realize when we came back for 2021-2022, that that was actually the hardest year beyond measure for so many of us," Blatteau said. "In a year we thought we were going to get 'back to normal' ... it was as far away from normal as we ever could have been."

Blatteau said that she and her colleagues felt disconnected from their students as they fulfilled curriculum requirements.

"So many teachers feel like they're constantly focused on pacing charts and entering data rather than really getting to know their students on a personal individual level," Blatteau said. "Teachers are feeling more and more that we don't have autonomy in the classroom, that we're just being told to comply with mandates for data. That's another reason why teachers are leaving. If teachers had more autonomy in the classroom, they would be much more willing to stay."

Since the pandemic began, teachers across the country reported more stress. A 2022 report by the RAND Corporation and National Education Association found that 59% of educators experience burnout, 73% experience frequent job-related stress, 28% have symptoms of depression and 24% say they are "not coping well."

In a recent survey by Hartford Public Schools, 45% of teachers and paraprofessionals who participated said that their job satisfaction was somewhat or very unsatisfying and 60% said that their job satisfaction was worse now than before the pandemic.

What can be done?

In a district where one out of every four new educators leaves the district after the first year teaching, Carol Gale, president of the Hartford Federation of Teachers, said that teachers in Hartford and other cities will need four things to stay: time, trust, tools and training.

"We need time to teach students. We need time to work with kids through things like lower class size, reduced standardized testing and the reduction of unnecessary paperwork. We need to be trusted. ... We need our input to be valued and to be listened to. We know what our students need. Then we need the tools to be able to do our jobs. Whether that is technological tools, textbook tools, pencils, paper, smart boards, you name it ... and we need adequate training so that we can stay current and have the best practices that we can deliver to our students," Gale said.

Gale said that if districts want to seriously tackle the issue of staff retention and resignations, it will take collaboration with administrators, teachers and local unions.

"When you have more voices at the table, you often can come up with an idea that no one individual would've come up with because it's the value of putting your heads together and being able to brainstorm and creatively build on the ideas in the room and come up with the best solution possible," Gale said.

Blatteau said that the 2021-2022 school year presented challenges for teachers at a magnitude that they had previously never encountered.

"We're willing to work hard, but with the vacancies and with the stress of COVID, it's like nothing we've ever experienced before," Blatteau said. "We want to do the job that we were hired to do. Teachers want to work hard. Teachers are committed. We have great joy when we are able to teach. But so many of us weren't able to just do the job we were hired to do."

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WAR IN UKRAINE

Moscow to forces: Step up attacks

Shift signals war may enter a more aggressive phase

By Andrew E. Kramer and Steven Erlanger
The New York Times

KYIV, Ukraine — In an indication that Russian forces were ending what they called an operational pause in their invasion of Ukraine, the defense minister of Russia, Sergei Shoigu, on Saturday ordered his forces to intensify attacks "in all operational sectors" of the war.

As the Ukrainian government disclosed modest new ground attacks by Russian forces, the Russian defense ministry said in a statement that Shoigu had instructed that combat be intensified to stop Ukraine from shelling civilian areas in Russian-occupied territory.

After deadly Russian missile strikes across Ukraine in recent days that killed civilians, the statement was a new signal from Moscow that its invasion may be entering a more aggressive phase.

Shoigu's statement appeared to be a response to Ukraine's new ability to hit Russian targets in occupied areas due to more advanced, longer-range Western weapons, including the U.S.' HIMARS precision-guided rocket systems and French Caesar artillery pieces. Ukraine claims to have hit at least 30 Russian ammunition and logistics sites with the new weapons in the past two weeks.

Earlier this month, Russian President Vladimir Putin suggested to lawmakers that Russia would escalate the war.

A woman rides past billowing smoke from a missile strike on Saturday in Odesa, Ukraine. **OLEKSANDR GIMANOV/GETTY-AFP**

"Everyone should know that, by and large, we have not started anything seriously yet," Putin said.

In his nightly video address Saturday, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy urged Ukrainians not to fall for Russia's attempts to scare them with warnings of horrendous missile attacks to come, which he said were aimed at dividing Ukrainian society.

"Sometimes, information weapons can do more than regular weapons," he told the nation.

There were signs of new fighting on the ground in the hotly contested Donbas region, where Russian forces have taken one of its provinces, Luhansk, and are trying to take the rest of another, Donetsk.

Ukrainian military and regional officials reported five probing attacks along the crescent-shaped front line in the Donbas.

Ukrainian troops using "heavy fire" repelled a renewed overnight ground assault to capture the main road link between the cities of Lysychansk and Bakhmut, said Serhiy Haidai, the military governor of Luhansk, an assertion echoed in a report Saturday by Ukraine's general staff. The road has been bitterly contested for months.

The latest analysis by the Institute for the Study of War said Russian forces were "likely emerging from their operational pause," citing a series of limited ground assaults northwest of Sloviansk, southeast of Siversk, along the Bakhmut-Lysychansk highway and southwest of the city of Donetsk.

"These assaults may indicate that Russian forces are attempting to resume their offensive operations in Donbas," the analysis said, while noting that "the assaults are still small-scale and were largely unsuccessful."

Some soldiers serving on front-line positions in the Donetsk region question whether the Russians ever actually paused, saying they have been under constant attack on the ground and with artillery and aerial bombardment.

In the Kharkiv region Saturday, at least three civilians were killed and three more were injured in a pre-dawn Russian strike on the city of Chuhuiv, 75 miles from the Russian border, the police said.

In the neighboring Sumy region, one civilian was killed and at least seven more were injured after Russians opened fire on three towns and villages not far from the Russian border, the regional governor said Saturday.

In Donetsk, seven civilians were killed and 14 more injured, that region's governor said.

In southern Ukraine, two people were wounded by Russian shelling in the town of Bashtanka, northeast of the Black Sea city of Mykolaiv, according to the regional governor, Vitaliy Kim.

He said Mykolaiv came under renewed Russian fire before dawn Saturday.

Two people were killed after a Russian rocket strike on the eastern riverside city of Nikopol, emergency services said.

On Friday, cruise missiles fired by Russian bombers struck Dnipro, a major city in southeastern Ukraine on the Dnieper River, killing at least three people and wounding 16, Ukrainian officials said.

On Saturday, Russian defense officials said that strike had destroyed "workshops producing components for, and repairing, Tochka-U ballistic missiles, as well as multiple rocket launchers."

The Ukrainian air force said Russian forces fired six more cruise missiles Saturday from strategic bombers in the Caspian Sea, and two hit a farm in the Cherkasy region along the Dnieper River. No one was hurt.

The Associated Press contributed.

On climate, Biden vows 'strong executive action'

Some advocates urge president to declare national emergency

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden is promising "strong executive action" to combat climate change, despite dual setbacks in recent weeks that have restricted his ability to regulate carbon emissions and boost clean energy such as wind and solar power.

The Supreme Court last month limited how the nation's main anti-air pollution law can be used to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from power plants. Then late Thursday, Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W. Va., said he wants to delay sweeping environmental legislation that Democrats have pushed as central to achieving Biden's ambitious climate goals.

Biden, who has pledged to cut greenhouse gas emissions in half by 2030 compared with 2005 levels, said Friday that "action on climate change and clean energy remains more urgent than ever."

If the Senate will not act to address climate change and boost clean energy, "I will take strong executive action to meet this moment," Biden said in a statement from Saudi Arabia, where he met Friday with Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.

Biden did not specify what actions he will take on climate, but said they will create jobs, improve energy security, bolster domestic manufacturing and protect consumers from oil and gas price increases.

Some advocates urged Biden to use the moment to declare a national climate emergency and reinstate a ban on crude oil exports, among other steps. Declaring a climate emergency would allow Biden to redirect spending to accelerate renewable energy such as wind and solar and speed the nation's transition away from fossil fuels such as coal, oil and natural gas.

Climate advocates, including some of Manchin's Democratic Senate colleagues, slammed his opposition — noting that it was the second time he has torpedoed climate legislation.

"It's infuriating and nothing short of tragic that Sen. Manchin is walking away, again, from taking essential action on climate and clean energy," said Sen. Tina Smith, D-Minn. "The world is literally burning up while he joins every single Republican to stop strong action to cut emissions and speed the transition to clean energy."

Other Democrats said Manchin's announcement that he cannot back the climate provisions in the Senate bill — at least for now — frees Biden of the obligation to cater to a powerful, coal-state senator eager to protect his energy-producing home state. Manchin's vote is decisive in the evenly divided Senate, where Republicans unanimously oppose climate action.

"Let's roll. Do it all and start it now," tweeted Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I. who has long pushed stronger action on climate. "With legislative climate options now closed, it's now time for executive Beast Mode," Whitehouse wrote.

Whitehouse suggested a series of actions Biden could take, including "a robust social cost of carbon rule" to force energy producers to account for greenhouse gas emissions as a cost of doing business. The senator also urged Biden to require major polluters to use technology to capture carbon dioxide emissions and impose stronger pollution controls on cars, light trucks and heavy-duty vehicles.

With the Manhattan skyline in the distance, electricians install solar panels atop a terminal garage at LaGuardia Airport in the New York borough of Queens. **MARY ALTAFFER/AP 2021**

Advocates also urged Biden to reject all onshore and offshore drilling on federal lands and in federal waters — a step he promised during the 2020 campaign but has not enacted — and restrict approval of natural gas pipelines and other fossil fuel projects.

Before Manchin's apparent rejection of the climate measures, Democrats had slimmed down their plan from about $555 billion in climate spending to just over $300 billion in a bid to secure his support.

Manchin had already forced Democrats to drop two tax provisions he opposes: direct payments of clean energy credits and tax credits for electric vehicle purchases. Manchin forced other concessions last year, including killing a proposal that would have paid utilities that increase clean energy while penalizing those that do not.

Manchin's request to postpone action on the climate measure follows a June 30 ruling by the Supreme Court that the Clean Air Act does not give the Environmental Protection Agency broad authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from power plants.

The ruling likely complicates the Biden administration's plan to manage power plant pollution, but does not eliminate its authority to regulate greenhouse gases.

Ann Clancy, associate climate policy director for advocacy group Indivisible, said it was time for Biden to "stop waiting for corporate-backed Democrats and their bad-faith negotiations and deliver real wins for the American people on climate."

Israel strikes Gaza in response to rocket fire

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Israeli military attacked what it said was a Hamas military site in the Gaza Strip early Saturday in response to a pair of rocket attacks overnight.

The exchange took place hours after U.S. President Joe Biden concluded a visit to Israel and the Palestinian territories.

The army said its fighter jets struck an underground complex containing raw materials used in the production of rockets.

The two rocket attacks, coming several hours apart, set off air raid sirens in parts of southern Israel but caused no injuries or damage. The army said one of the rockets was intercepted, while the others landed in open areas.

No Palestinian group claimed responsibility for the rocket fire. But Israel blames Hamas, the militant group that has ruled Gaza for 15 years, for any violence emanating from the Palestinian enclave.

Commenting on the air raids, Hamas spokesman Hazem Qassem vowed to "continue our legitimate struggle" and stand up to the U.S. support of Israel.

Despite heightened tensions in recent months, Biden's three-day trip to Israel and the occupied West Bank passed smoothly. In the West Bank, Biden met Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, expressing support for Palestinian independence but also saying that conditions are not ripe for relaunching peace talks.

Hamas dismissed Biden's expressions of sympathy for the Palestinians, calling the United States "a partner in the aggression on our people." It also criticized Abbas for meeting with Biden and reiterating his support for a peace process with Israel.

Hamas doesn't recognize Israel. Since taking over Gaza by force in 2007, the militant group and Israel fought four deadly wars and numerous rounds of cross-border violence.

Sparks from an explosion caused by Israeli airstrikes are seen early Saturday in Gaza City. **MOHAMMED ALI/AP**

Biden continued from Israel to Saudi Arabia, where he is trying to bolster a regional alliance against Iran.

Israel considers Iran to be its greatest enemy, in part because of its support for militant groups like Hamas.

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NEWS BRIEFING

Preliminary autopsy says Jayland Walker shot dozens of times

From news services

AKRON, Ohio — Jayland Walker, the 25-year-old Black man who died last month at the hands of police in Akron, Ohio, was shot dozens of times, with 26 bullets recovered from his body, according to a preliminary autopsy report released Friday.

Dr. Lisa Kohler, the Summit County medical examiner, said it was impossible for her office to say which bullet killed Walker or the number of shots that were fired.

Walker "had several very devastating injuries that would cause death," including injuries to his heart, lungs and arteries, Kohler said. She tallied 41 entry wounds and five wounds from bullets that grazed Walker.

Preliminary findings released earlier indicated Walker's body had more than 60 wounds. Greta Johnson, Summit County communications director, said Friday it was "very possible" that one bullet could cause multiple entrance wounds, such as by passing through Walker's arm and into his torso.

Walker had five wounds in his back, but it's impossible to say whether those came as he ran away or turned as he was being shot, Kohler said.

The medical examiner gave a summary of the report on Walker's death at a news conference. The report was finalized Thursday.

The June 27 pursuit began when officers tried to pull him over for equipment violations. Authorities say Walker fired a gunshot from his car 40 seconds into the chase.

Kohler said no illegal drugs or alcohol were detected in Walker's body.

Ken Abbarno, a lawyer representing Walker's family, said the medical examiner's findings confirm that Walker — unarmed — "came to a brutal, senseless death."

The update comes a day after the NAACP made a direct plea to Attorney General Merrick Garland to have the Justice Department open a federal civil rights investigation into the fatal shooting.

Akron has seen daily protests since July 3, when city officials released body camera footage from the eight officers involved.

UN decries Haiti violence: The U.N. human rights office on Saturday expressed concern about rising violence around Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, saying 99 people have been reported killed in recent fighting between rival gangs in the Cite Soleil district alone.

The warning came hours after the U.N. Security Council unanimously approved a resolution renewing the mandate of a U.N. office in the troubled Caribbean nation and calling on all countries to stop the transfer of small arms, light weapons and ammunition to anyone there supporting gang violence and criminal activity.

U.N. humanitarian agencies said they were ready to help embattled communities once it is safe to do so, and Jeremy Laurence, spokesperson for the U.N.'s High Commissioner for Refugees, laid out those dangers.

"We have so far documented, from January to the end of June, 934 killings, 684 injuries and 680 kidnappings across the capital," he said Saturday. In addition, "Over a five-day period, from 8-12 July, at least 234 more people were killed or injured in gang-related violence in the Cite Soleil area of the city."

A firefighter faces a wildfire Saturday near Landiras in southwestern France. Strong winds and hot, dry weather are frustrating efforts to contain the huge blaze, which raced across pine forests in the Bordeaux region for a fifth straight day. It is one of several fires scorching Europe in recent days. Regional prosecutors suspect arson as the cause of the Landiras fire. **SDIS 33**

Sri Lanka leadership: Sri Lankan lawmakers met Saturday to begin choosing a new leader to serve the rest of the term abandoned by the president who fled abroad and resigned after mass protests over the country's economic collapse.

A day earlier, Sri Lanka's Prime Minister Gotabaya Rajapaksa was sworn in as interim president until Parliament elects his successor.

Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, the speaker of Parliament, promised a transparent political process that should be done within a week.

The new president could appoint a new prime minister, who would then have to be approved by Parliament.

Parliament's secretary general, Dhammika Dasanayake, said during a brief session Saturday that nominations for the election of the new president will be heard Tuesday and if there is more than one candidate, the lawmakers will vote Wednesday.

No Russia oil price cap: Finance ministers from the Group of 20 industrialized nations ended their meeting in Indonesia on Saturday without an agreement on a U.S. proposal to cap the price of Russian oil.

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen had gone to the gathering to solidify support for the incomplete plan. She said the proposal could be a powerful tool to mitigate the economic fallout of the war in Ukraine and curtail Russia's ability to profit from soaring energy costs and further fund its military aggression.

The leaders of the Group of Seven nations agreed last month in principle to consider imposing a discount on Russian oil, but the details of how such a mechanism would work remains unclear.

The support, or noninterference, of some of the countries at the larger meeting in Indonesia, including India and China, would be instrumental in the plan having its intended effect.

UK extreme heat: The British government held an emergency response meeting Saturday to plan for record high temperatures after weather authorities issued their first-ever "red" warning for extreme heat.

The alert covers large parts of England on Monday and Tuesday, when temperatures may reach 104 for the first time, posing a risk of serious illness and even death among healthy people, the country's weather service said Friday.

The British heat record is 101.7, set in 2019.

After chairing the meeting, Cabinet Office Minister Kit Malthouse warned that transport services will be significantly affected.

"The heat will affect rails, for example, so the trains have to run slower. There may be fewer services," he told the BBC. "People need to be on their guard for disruption."

Macao extends lockdown: The Chinese gambling enclave of Macao on Saturday extended its lockdown by five days as it grapples with the biggest outbreak of the coronavirus in over two years.

Authorities said that industries and commercial companies will remain closed until July 23.

The lockdown, which began July 11, had initially been set to expire Sunday.

As part of the lockdown, authorities have suspended dine-in services and ordered all residents to avoid leaving home unless absolutely necessary. Those who need to go out must wear KN95 masks or similar.

The city, which has a population of 680,000, recorded 31 infections on Friday. Since its latest outbreak that began June 18, the city has reported some 1,700 infections.

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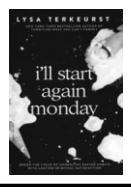

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Drug lord's capture a signal to US?

Fugitive arrested just 3 days after Biden, Mexico's leader meet

By Maria Verza and Mark Stevenson
Associated Press

Emergency personnel work near a navy Blackhawk helicopter that crashed while supporting those who conducted the capture of fugitive drug lord Rafael Caro Quintero on Friday near the city of Los Mochis in Mexico's Sinaloa state. **GUILLERMO JUAREZ/AP**

MEXICO CITY — The United States' motivation to find infamous drug lord Rafael Caro Quintero was never in doubt — hence the $20 million reward for information leading to his capture. There was less certainty about the commitment of Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, who had made clear his disinterest in pursuing drug lords.

Yet on Friday, three days after Lopez Obrador and U.S. President Joe Biden met in the White House, the most wanted target of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration — the man allegedly responsible for the murder of a DEA agent more than three decades ago — was in Mexican custody.

A bloodhound rousted him from the undergrowth as Mexican marines closed in deep in the mountains of his native state of Sinaloa.

But the arrest came at a heavy cost as 14 Mexican marines died and another was injured when a navy Blackhawk helicopter crashed during the operation. The navy said it appeared to have been an accident, with the cause under investigation.

Mexico's Attorney General's Office said in a statement late Friday that Caro Quintero was arrested for extradition to the U.S. and would be held at the maximum security Altiplano prison west of Mexico City.

DEA Administrator Anne Milgram celebrated the capture of a man especially despised by U.S. officials for the torture and murder of DEA agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena in 1985.

"Our incredible DEA team in Mexico worked in partnership with Mexican authorities to capture and arrest Rafael Caro Quintero," she said in a message to the agency late Friday. "Today's arrest is the result of years of your blood, sweat, and tears."

Caro Quintero

Cooperation between the DEA and Mexico's marines had led to some of the highest-profile captures during previous administrations, but not under Lopez Obrador, noted security analyst David Saucedo.

"It seems to me that in the private talks between President Joe Biden and Andres Manuel (Lopez Obrador) they surely agreed to turning over high-profile drug traffickers again, which had been suspended," Saucedo said.

Both presidents face domestic pressure to do more against drug traffickers. With Caro Quintero's arrest, "Narcos are being captured again and I believe that clearly it was what was in fact needed," Saucedo said.

Samuel Gonzalez, who founded the organized crime office in Mexico's Attorney General's Office and now is a security analyst, said the capture may not have a major effect on organized crime in Mexico, as Caro Quintero was not as powerful as decades ago, and it might even generate more violence in territories such as Sonora, at the U.S. border.

But he said that to Lopez Obrador's benefit, the arrest "shows evidence that there's no protection of capos" by his administration.

Gonzalez believes Caro Quintero has long been a thorn in the bilateral relationship, but said that "without doubt" his capture was the fruit of the recent negotiations in Washington.

"The Americans never stopped pressing for his arrest," Gonzalez said.

U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland and U.S. Ambassador to Mexico Ken Salazar expressed gratitude for Mexico's capture of the man blamed for killing Camarena — a case that brought a low point in U.S.-Mexico relations.

"This achievement is a testament to Mexico's determination to bring to justice someone who terrorized and destabilized Mexico during his time in the Guadalajara Cartel; and is implicated in the kidnapping, torture and murder of DEA agent Kiki Camarena," Salazar said in a statement late Friday.

Garland said the U.S. government would seek his immediate extradition.

"My hope is that with the capture of Caro Quintero, that that will mend a lot of tensions between the DEA and Mexico," said Mike Vigil, the DEA's former chief of international operations.

Mexico's navy and Attorney General's Office led the operation deep in the mountains that straddle the border between Sinaloa and Chihuahua states, many miles from any paved road. They found Caro Quintero, with help from the bloodhound named Max, hiding in brush in a place in Sinaloa called San Simon.

Lopez Obrador said that the helicopter that crashed in the coastal city of Los Mochis had been supporting the operation against Caro Quintero. U.S. officials expressed condolences for the marines who died.

Caro Quintero came from Badiraguato, Sinaloa, the same township as Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, the former leader of the Sinaloa cartel, which formed later. Caro Quintero was one of the founders of the Guadalajara cartel and according to the DEA was one of the primary suppliers of heroin, cocaine and marijuana to the United States in the late 1970s and 1980s.

Caro Quintero had blamed Camarena for a raid on a huge marijuana plantation in 1984. The next year, Camarena was kidnapped in Guadalajara, allegedly on orders from Caro Quintero. His tortured body was found a month later.

Caro Quintero was captured in Costa Rica in 1985 and was serving a 40-year sentence in Mexico when an appeals court overturned his verdict in 2013. The Supreme Court upheld the sentence, but it was too late — Caro Quintero had been spirited off in a waiting vehicle.

Caro Quintero was added to FBI's 10 most wanted list in 2018 with a $20 million reward for his capture.

Lopez Obrador had previously seemed ambivalent about his case.

Last year, the president said the legal appeal that led to Caro Quintero's release was "justified" because supposedly no verdict had been handed down against the drug lord after 27 years in jail. Lopez Obrador also depicted a later warrant for his re-arrest as an example of U.S. pressure.

"Once he was out, they had to look for him again, because the United States demanded he shouldn't have been released, but legally the appeal was justified," Lopez Obrador said.

Presidential spokesman Jesus Ramirez said at the time, "The president was just saying that it was a legal aberration that the judge had not issued a verdict on Mr. Caro Quintero after 27 years ... but he was not defending his release."

Mexican reporter Anabel Hernandez twice interviewed the fugitive Caro Quintero in the northern Mexico mountains without revealing the location. Caro Quintero claimed he was no longer involved in the drug trade.

Biden

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occasionally uncomfortable but, in Biden's view, ultimately necessary. Although he's been focused on confronting Russia's invasion of Ukraine and limiting China's expanding influence in Asia, those goals become far more difficult without the partnerships that he was tending to here.

"It is only becoming clearer to me how closely interwoven America's interests are with the successes of the Middle East," the president said Saturday at a summit in Jeddah.

It was a belated recognition of geopolitical reality that has long kept the United States deeply invested in the energy-rich region, most recently with ruinous wars that stretched over two decades. Biden tried to turn the page on those conflicts while insisting that the U.S. would remain engaged.

"We will not walk away and leave a vacuum to be filled by China, Russia or Iran," Biden said.

The summit, where Biden announced $1 billion in U.S. funding to alleviate hunger in the region, was the final destination on Biden's four-day trip, which included stops in Israel and the West Bank.

Biden's challenge has been to recognize the shifting landscape and persuade Middle East leaders to remain aligned with U.S. interests without being dragged back into a corner of the world the American public has largely turned away from after the end of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Although Biden expressed a renewed commitment to the region, saying "the United States is not going anywhere," he also seemed to acknowledge its limitations.

"The United States is clear-eyed about the challenges in the Middle East and about where we have the greatest capacity to help drive positive outcomes," he said.

The centerpiece of Biden's Middle East outreach was his first meeting with Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, the de facto ruler of Saudi Arabia.

The encounter began Friday with a fist bump outside the royal palace in Jeddah, a gesture that was swiftly criticized because of Prince Mohammed's history of human rights abuses. In addition to cracking down on his critics in Saudi Arabia, the prince, according to U.S. intelligence, likely approved the killing of the journalist Jamal Khashoggi nearly four years ago.

Biden rejected the notion that he was abandoning human rights by meeting with the crown prince, and said he brought up Khashoggi's murder during their conversation. The topic created a "frosty" start to the meeting, according to a U.S. official who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

The Saudi-owned Al Arabiya news network, citing an unnamed Saudi source, reported that Prince Mohammed responded to Biden's mention of Khashoggi by saying that attempts to impose a set of values can backfire. He also said the U.S. had committed mistakes at the Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq, where detainees were tortured, and pressed Biden on the killing of Palestinian American journalist Shireen Abu Akleh during a recent Israeli raid in the West Bank.

The atmosphere between the two eventually became more relaxed, the U.S. official said, as they spoke about energy security and other issues.

The regional summit in Jeddah and Biden's visit provided Prince Mohammed with the opportunity to showcase his country's heavyweight role in the Middle East, and his position at the helm of the world's largest oil exporter.

He hinted that the kingdom could pump more oil than it currently does, something Biden wants to see when existing production quotas among OPEC+ member countries, which include Russia, expire in September.

Biden also tried to draw Arab nations onto his side over the invasion of Ukraine by releasing satellite imagery indicating that Russian officials visited Iran in June and July to see weapons-capable drones that it could acquire.

The disclosure appeared aimed at drawing a connection between the war in Europe and Arab leaders' own concerns about Iran.

So far, none of the countries represented at the summit has moved in lockstep with the U.S. to sanction Russia, a foreign policy priority for the Biden administration. If anything, the UAE has emerged as a sort of financial haven for Russian billionaires and their multimillion-dollar yachts. Egypt remains open to Russian tourists.

But before ending his speech at the summit, Biden expressed hopes for a new era of cooperation.

"This is a table full of problem solvers," he said. "There's a lot of good we can do if we do it together."

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'Erased' Secret Service texts sought by Jan. 6 committee

By Farnoush Amiri and Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

Chairman Bennie Thompson said the Jan. 6. panel is seeking "relevant text messages" reportedly deleted by Secret Service agents. **KENNY HOLSTON/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

WASHINGTON — The House committee investigating the U.S. Capitol riot has subpoenaed the Secret Service for text messages agents reportedly deleted around Jan. 6, 2021, as the panel probes Donald Trump's actions at the time of the deadly siege.

The committee chairman, Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., said the committee understands the messages had been "erased." Thompson outlined an aggressive timeline for production of the documents by Tuesday.

"The USSS erased text messages from January 5 and 6, 2021, as part of a 'device-replacement program,'" Thompson said in a statement late Friday.

He said the panel "seeks the relevant text messages, as well as any after action reports that have been issued in any and all divisions of the USSS pertaining or relating in any way to the events of January 6, 2021."

The Secret Service said the committee "has had our full and unwavering cooperation" since beginning its work and "that does not change," according to a statement from agency spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

He added: "We plan to continue that cooperation by responding swiftly to the Committee's subpoena."

The subpoenas came hours after the panel received a closed briefing from the watchdog for Department of Homeland Security, which oversees the Secret Service. Lawmakers were briefed about his finding that the Secret Service deleted texts from around Jan. 6, according to two people familiar with the matter.

That finding raised the startling prospect of lost evidence that could shed further light on then-President Donald Trump's actions during the insurrection, particularly after earlier testimony about his confrontation with security as he tried to join supporters at the Capitol.

It was a rare step for the committee to issue a subpoena to an executive branch department.

The private briefing with the inspector general, Joseph Cuffari, came two days after his office sent a letter to leaders of the House and Senate Homeland Security committees stating that Secret Service agents erased messages between Jan. 5 and Jan. 6, 2021 "as part of a device-replacement program." The deletion came after the watchdog office requested records from the agents as part of its probe into events surrounding the Jan. 6 attack, the letter said.

The committee had originally sought the electronic records in mid-January and made an official request in March for all communications received or sent from DHS employees between Jan. 5 and Jan. 7, 2021.

Thompson told The Associated Press on Friday that the committee is taking a deeper look at whether records may have been lost.

"There have been some conflicting positions on the matter," he said.

The briefing was confirmed by two people familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss it.

The Secret Service insists proper procedures were followed. Guglielmi said "the insinuation that the Secret Service maliciously deleted text messages following a request is false."

He said the Secret Service had started to reset its mobile devices to factory settings in January 2021 "as part of a pre-planned, three-month system migration." In that process, some data was lost.

The inspector general has first requested the electronic communications on Feb. 26, "after the migration was well underway," Guglielmi said.

The Secret Service said it has provided a substantial number of emails and chat messages that included conversations and details related to Jan. 6 to the inspector general.

The agency also said text messages from the Capitol Police requesting assistance on Jan. 6 were preserved and provided to the inspector general's office.

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Antonio Brundu, 104, is the oldest official resident of Perdasdefogu in Sardinia. Guinness World Records named the town as the municipality with "the largest concentration of centenarians."

Maintaining old-age rivalry

2 Sardinian towns boast that their residents warrant world record, but only 1 of them deemed qualified

By Jason Horowitz
The New York Times

Annunziata Stori, who will turn 100 in August, makes pasta in Perdasdefogu. The town, which boasts seven centenarians among about 1,780 residents, wants to leverage its reputation as a center of longevity. **GIANNI CIPRIANO/THE NEW YORK TIMES PHOTOS**

PERDASDEFOGU, Sardinia — Deep in the Sardinian mountains, a sign on a winding road opposite an abandoned playground welcomes visitors to Perdasdefogu, home of the "World Record of Family Longevity." Black-and-white portraits of the wizened locals who reached age 100 look out onto a sleepy main street near "Longevity Square." Campaign posters promise the town's rebirth through "DNA" and "Longevity."

The isolated town, once best known for a military base that for decades was a launchpad for economic opportunity and long-range missiles, is trying to position itself as a global capital of long-range living.

Gutted like so many Italian towns by the loss of jobs, low birthrates and the fleeing of young people, Perdasdefogu is seizing on its recognition from Guinness World Records as the municipality with "the largest concentration of centenarians" — currently seven of them in a population of about 1,780 — to spur an economic rejuvenation.

The hope is that mortality-averse foreigners desperate to learn the secrets of perpetually sticking around will fuel a tourism boom or that genetic researchers eager to study the residents' raw materials will invest in state-of-the-art facilities and maybe even improve the spotty phone service by laying down fiber optic cables.

But there is a trespasser on the town's oldest-timer territory. Seulo, a smaller town deeper in the heart of the island, has threatened Perdasdefogu's grand plans by staking a rival claim to the title, and Perdasdefogu wants it off its lawn.

"They're not even worth talking about," said Salvatore Mura, 63, an engineer and local politician who submitted Perdasdefogu's application to Guinness. He argued that since Seulo did not have 1,000 residents, it did not meet Guinness' requirements for the ranking and was out of the running. "It's a question of mathematics."

Going off script

Mura, joined by Giacomo Mameli — a spry 81-year-old author who hopes the town's new status will generate publicity for a literary festival he runs — walked by Judgment Day square and a mural of old men in sweater vests and traditional "coppola" caps.

The two offered all sorts of explanations for the longevity of the townspeople. They pointed at the many vegetable gardens with their oversized zucchinis; talked up the local potato bread that they suggested was studied by geneticists; and exalted the natural digestive aids, including an acidic cheese that jiggled like a chalky cube of Jell-O.

"This," Mameli said, holding up a bowl of it, "is natural Maalox."

The men pointed out the portraits of centenarians by the flower shop — whose biggest business is for funerals — and by the bed-and-breakfast run by Mameli's sister, who mentioned that Seulo had a higher concentration of centenarians. ("But they don't have 1,000 people," responded her brother mordantly. "Too bad.")

The men stopped by the bar owned by the Melis family. In 2014, the family won the Guinness record for highest combined age of more than 800 years for nine living siblings.

Mura said the economic miracle of Perdas, as the locals call the town, had already begun, with a wine label inspired by the centenarians and a new business that promotes honey sweetened by the air "that the old people breathed."

On their walk, he and Mameli visited town elders in piazzas and on their porches and fed the century-club members longevity lines about the power of local minestrone and mountain air, chickpeas and the simple Perdasdefogu lifestyle. But the centenarians had a tendency to go off script.

Mura prompted Bonino Lai, 102, to talk about the local superfoods. Lai instead recalled how, after missile launches from the base that prosecutors once shut down for dumping hazardous, uranium-enriched waste, he and his friends would scavenge for fallen parts "and mushrooms."

"They were good!" he added. "Everybody was looking for them."

When Mura tried to veer Lai back to talk of working in the open air, he instead extolled the benefits of procuring a permanent sinecure in town hall.

"I knew the mayor and the councilors," he said. "They thought I was a nice guy."

Portraits of centenarians hang at a museum in Seulo, Sardinia. The town's population is less than that of Perdasdefogu, but its concentration of centenarians is higher: currently 4 in 790.

'We are No. 1'

Others said variety was the spice — or, at least, preservative — of life.

"One day I do this," Annunziata Stori, who will turn 100 in August, said as she blindly rolled semolina into tiny beads of fregola pasta. "The next, spaghetti. Another day, lasagna."

Adolfo Melis, also 99 and a surviving member of the record-breaking siblings, keeps rosaries in the pocket of his track suit jacket and said the important thing was not to get worked up about things.

The town's oldest official resident, Antonio Brundu, 104, whose father lived to 103, spoke gravely about persevering through suffering.

"If you don't have stable work, what life do you live?" he asked, looking askance at the stack of local newspapers reporting Seulo's rival claim, and with concern at his great-granddaughter, 26, who ignored him and scrolled her phone in the kitchen. "I had 45 goats!"

One thing they all agreed on was pride in their town's new record.

"Inhabitant for inhabitant, we are No. 1," said Antonio Lai, 100 (no direct relation to Bonino), who goes by the nickname "the Pistol" and boasted that as recently as two years ago, he renewed his driver's license. ("It must have been an English license," said his grandson-in-law, Giampiero Lai. "He drove on the wrong side of the road.")

The town's few remaining young people were less enamored with holding earth's creakiest title.

"Everything is geared toward the old," said Alessio Vittorio Lai, 16, the great-great-grandson of "the Pistol," as he fed coins into a cigarette machine one night.

His friend Gabriele Pastrello, 16, the grandson of Bonino Lai, the mushroom enthusiast, agreed. "There's nothing going on here," he said.

The competition

Not much seemed to be going on in Seulo either.

Seulo had a similar welcome sign — "The Town of Centenarians" — and also decorated its hillside street with the black-and-white photos of residents who had hit the 100-year milestone. Its tourism shop offered copies of "The Blue Zones Kitchen: 100 Recipes to Live to 100" by Dan Buettner, a self-described "explorer" — and Guinness World Records holder for distance cycling — who has helped put Seulo and other so-called Blue Zone hot spots, where people live long, on the map.

Locals in Seulo scoffed at the pretension of Perdasdefogu to the geriatric throne.

"It's just not the way it is," said Maria Murgia, 89, in a black veil and dress, as she strolled with her friend Consuelo Melis, 30, who wore a sports bra and yoga pants. "They got their calculations wrong."

"It's us," yelled Giovanni Deiana, 79, who sat on a bench with his friends in an otherwise empty playground at the edge of town and worried that his wife would live to 106, as her mother did. "Us!"

Like Perdas with its missile base, Seulo, too, used to be known for something else. A mural on the wall of city hall shows a bearded young man from the 1930s wearing pastor's boots and holding a medical degree to honor the town's former record of having the highest density of college graduates in Italy.

"But then they left," said Enrico Murgia, 55, the town's mayor.

Murgia said the town's five centenarians — with two more on the near horizon — gave Seulo, with only 790 people, a much higher density of the super-old than Perdasdefogu. (On July 9, one, Pietrina Murgia, died, at age 100, bringing the number down to four.)

An engineer by training, he drew pie charts and made equations to show "the real figure that launches us as the town with the greatest longevity in the world."

Calculations aside, Seulo's distinction for extreme longevity, he said, was a "marketing vehicle," and he headed into town with a handful of tourism brochures ("Discover the Elixir of Long Life"). He handed them to people who already lived there.

He stopped by the home of Anna Mulas, 100, who, when asked about the secret to her remarkable resilience, recalled carrying cement bags on her head to help build her house. Mostly, though, she castigated her daughter for not offering enough candies to guests.

Murgia walked up to the soon-to-open Museum of Longevity, painted with murals of old people, and promised "an experiential tourist activity."

At sundown, he took in the view of his pastel-colored town and regretted how years of a swine flu had killed thousands of pigs, costing many jobs and forcing at least 200 residents to move.

"We would have had 1,000 people," he said. "With those 200, we could have stuck it to Perdas."

WORLD & NATION

Life as the victim of a Jan. 6 conspiracy theory

Backer of Trump forced to hide away in fear for safety

By Alan Feuer
The New York Times

Ray Epps stands with his wife, Robyn Epps, in an undated photo. Ray Epps became the unwitting face of an attempt by pro-Trump forces to promote the baseless idea that the FBI was behind the attack on the Capitol. **ALAN FEUER/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS — Up a winding country road, in a trailer park a half-mile from a cattle ranch, lives a man whose life has been ruined by a Jan. 6 conspiracy theory.

Ray Epps has suffered enormously in the past 10 months as right-wing media figures and Republican politicians have baselessly described him as a covert government agent who helped to instigate the attack on the Capitol last year.

Strangers have assailed him as a coward and a traitor and have menacingly cautioned him to sleep with one eye open. He was forced to sell his business and his home in Arizona. Fearing for his safety and uncertain of his future, he and his wife moved into a mobile home in the foothills of the Rockies, with all of their belongings crammed into shipping containers in a high-desert meadow, a mile or two away.

"And for what — lies?" Epps asked with a look of pained exhaustion. "All of this, it's just been hell."

Almost from the moment that a violent mob stormed the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, allies of former President Donald Trump have sought to shift the blame for the attack away from the people who were in the pro-Trump crowd that day to any number of scapegoats.

First they pointed at antifa, the leftist activists who have a history of clashing with Trump's backers but who did not show up when the Capitol was breached. Then they tried to fault the FBI, which, according to those who spread the baseless tale, planned the attack to provoke a crackdown on conservatives.

Epps, 61, was not just a bystander Jan. 6. He traveled to Washington to back Trump, was taped urging people to go to the Capitol and was there himself on the day of the assault. But through a series of events that twisted his role, he became the face of this conspiracy theory about the FBI as it spread from the fringes to the mainstream.

Obscure right-wing media outlets such as Revolver News used selectively edited videos and unfounded leaps of logic to paint him as a secret federal asset in charge of a "breach team" responsible for setting off the riot at the Capitol.

The stories about Epps were seized on by Fox News host Tucker Carlson, who gave them a wider audience. They were also echoed by Republican members of Congress like Rep. Thomas Massie of Kentucky and Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas.

Eventually, Trump joined the fray, mentioning Epps at one of his political rallies and lending fuel to a viral Twitter hashtag, #WhoIsRayEpps.

After months of watching from the shadows as public figures he once respected — Trump among them — tarred his name and destroyed his reputation, Epps decided that he wanted to answer that question for himself.

In a daylong interview, sitting in his air-conditioned recreational vehicle with his wife, Robyn, and their two Shih Tzus beside him, Epps described himself as a father, a former Marine and a staunch but disillusioned conservative whose leaders had betrayed him. He granted the interview on the condition that the location of his new home not be disclosed.

"I am at the center of this thing, and it's the biggest farce that's ever been," he said. "It's just not right. The American people are being led down a path. I think it should be criminal."

To that end, Epps and his wife have been searching for a lawyer to help them file a defamation lawsuit against several of the people who have spread the false accounts. Should they end up doing so, they would join a list of other individuals and companies — most notably, voting machine producer Dominion Voting Systems — in using the courts to push back on the rampant disinformation that emerged again and again during Trump's efforts to overturn the election.

While Epps was a participant in some of the events that unfolded Jan. 6, the claim that he inspired the Capitol riot in a "false flag" plot is solely based on the fact that he has never been arrested and therefore must be under the protection of the government.

But scores, if not hundreds, of people who appear to have committed minor crimes that day were investigated by the FBI but have not been charged or taken into custody.

Epps said he had acted stupidly at times when he and one of his sons took a last-minute trip to Washington for Trump's speech about election fraud.

But he said that he had managed to avoid arrest because he reached out to the FBI within minutes of discovering that agents wanted to speak with him and demonstrated during interviews with them that he had spent much of his time at the Capitol seeking to calm down other rioters, an assertion supported by multiple video clips.

One of the moments Epps said he regrets most from his stay in Washington took place the night before the Capitol attack, when he joined his son and a friend for a pro-Trump rally at Black Lives Matter Plaza. During the event, he was videotaped by a right-wing provocateur encouraging people to go inside the Capitol on Jan. 6 in what he described, even at the time, as a form of peaceful protest.

The clip has been used to depict Epps as a man who not only urged people to riot at the Capitol but also then evaded prosecution. The Justice Department has not publicly addressed its decision not to charge him, but the legal definition of incitement requires a person's words to cause an immediate threat of danger, not one that could possibly occur the following day.

On Jan. 6 itself, Epps, believing he could stop the violence at the Capitol, inserted himself into a conflict between the police and members of the pro-Trump mob that is widely considered to be the tipping point of the attack.

He can be seen in videos from around 1 p.m. that day accosting a rioter named Ryan Samsel, who had already started to confront officers behind a metal barricade on the west side of the Capitol.

Epps said he intervened in the conflict to keep Samsel from attacking the police and tried to tell Samsel that the officers were merely doing their jobs. Samsel gave an identical account to the FBI when he was arrested weeks later.

The problems began for Epps almost as soon as Revolver News published its first article about him in October. Suddenly, there were emailed death threats; trespassers on his property demanding "answers" about Jan. 6; and acquaintances, fellow members of his church and even family members who disowned him, he said.

Things became significantly worse after Carlson and prominent politicians began to amplify the lies.

Then, in January, Epps received a letter from someone claiming to have been brought into the country by a Mexican drug cartel.

The writer said he had overheard some cartel members talking about killing Epps.

Ultimately, the couple sold their business, a farm-style wedding venue, and their house in Arizona, losing hundreds of thousands of dollars and wrecking the arrangements they had made for retirement.

"It has a been a nightmare," Robyn Epps said.

While he wants to clear his name, he is under no illusion that he will ever manage to divorce it fully from the lies.

"They'll always be associated," Epps said. "You can't convince some people."

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AT&T Inc	T	16.63	27.72	**20.57**	**-0.23**	-1.1	▲	▲	-16.4	2.8		1.9	7	5.4
Adv Micro Dev	AMD	71.60	164.46	**81.11**	**1.76**	2.2	▼	▼	-43.6	-11.7		41.4	32	2.0
Alphabet Inc C	GOOG	2044.16	3042.00	**2255.34**	**-148.03**	-6.2	▲	▼	-22.1	-15.6		18.5	20	...
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Avangrid Inc	AGR	42.20	55.57	**45.52**	**-0.43**	-0.9	▲	▼	-8.7	-12.2		4.1	23	3.9
Bank of America	BAC	29.67	50.11	**32.25**	**0.46**	1.4	▲	▼	-27.5	-20.3		6.7	10	2.6
Barnes Group	B	29.76	52.07	**30.91**	**0.16**	0.5	▼	▼	-33.7	-37.6		-10.9	16	2.1
Booking Holdings	BKNG	1669.34	2715.66	**1698.59**	**-70.89**	-4.0	▼	▼	-29.2	-23.1		-3.0	>99	...
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CocaCola Co	KO	52.28	67.20	**62.50**	**-0.64**	-1.0	▲	▼	5.6	13.6		9.5	28	2.8
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Disney	DIS	90.23	187.58	**95.20**	**-0.66**	-0.7	▲	▼	-38.5	-49.9		-1.8	66	...
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EMCOR Group Inc	EME	95.64	135.98	**102.17**	**-0.36**	-0.4	▲	▼	-19.8	-17.2		9.5	17	0.3
Energy Transfer L.P.	ET	7.96	12.48	**9.82**	**-0.13**	-1.3	▼	▼	19.3	2.6		-4.0	9	8.1
Ethan Allen	ETD	19.60	28.04	**21.71**	**0.52**	2.5	▲	▼	-17.4	-10.4		-1.4	7	5.9
Eversource Energy	ES	77.07	94.63	**83.66**	**0.34**	0.4	▲	▼	-8.0	2.3		9.3	24	3.0
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	52.10	105.57	**84.54**	**-1.54**	-1.8	▼	▼	38.2	45.6		4.3	16	4.2
Ford Motor	F	10.61	25.87	**11.88**	**0.26**	2.2	▲	▼	-42.8	-18.0		2.9	3	3.4
Freeport McMoRan	FCX	24.80	51.99	**25.82**	**-2.02**	-7.3	▼	▼	-38.1	-25.8		15.7	9	1.2
FuelCell Energy	FCEL	2.87	11.63	**3.49**	**-0.83**	-19.2	▲	▼	-32.9	-46.5		-26.0	...	...
Gen Dynamics	GD	182.66	254.99	**212.77**	**-8.34**	-3.8	▲	▼	2.1	13.7		2.9	18	2.2
Gen Electric	GE	59.93	116.17	**62.86**	**-0.39**	-0.6	▼	▼	-33.5	-40.1		-19.9	...	0.5
Hartford Fn Sv	HIG	60.31	78.17	**62.99**	**-2.68**	-4.1	▼	▼	-8.8	.6		5.0	9	2.4
Honeywell Intl	HON	167.35	236.86	**172.80**	**-0.54**	-0.3	▼	▼	-17.1	-23.9		7.5	22	2.3
Horizon Tech Fin	HRZN	10.55	19.08	**12.00**	**0.04**	0.3	▲	▼	-24.6	-25.2		9.2	10	10.0
Infosys Ltd	INFY	17.52	26.39	**18.17**	**-0.89**	-4.7	▲	▼	-28.2	-14.4		20.2	28	...
Inovio Pharmaceut	INO	1.38	9.96	**1.97**	**-0.20**	-9.2	▲	▼	-60.5	-74.6		-24.1	...	...
Intel Corp	INTC	35.54	57.46	**38.62**	**0.63**	1.7	▲	▼	-25.0	-30.8		5.0	8	3.8
Intelsat SA	I			**.38**	**0.00**	0.0	▬	▬	0.0	...		0.0	...	...
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	155.72	186.69	**178.23**	**-0.05**	0.0	▲	▼	4.2	5.6		8.0	27	2.5
Kaman	KAMN	27.94	48.04	**29.62**	**-0.30**	-1.0	▼	▼	-31.4	-37.6		-8.6	19	2.7
Lincoln Natl Corp	LNC	44.89	77.57	**47.06**	**-0.30**	-0.6	▼	▼	-31.1	-23.3		-5.7	7	3.8
MGM Resorts Intl	MGM	26.41	51.17	**29.23**	**-0.11**	-0.4	▲	▼	-34.9	-28.9		-1.3	23	...
Meta Platforms Inc	META	154.25	384.33	**164.70**	**-6.18**	-3.6	▲	▼	-51.0	-54.5		-0.2	12	...
MetLife Inc	MET	55.21	73.18	**59.03**	**-3.60**	-5.7	▼	▼	-5.5	2.8		6.3	8	3.4
Micron Tech	MU	51.40	98.45	**61.53**	**2.39**	4.0	▲	▼	-33.9	-23.9		13.5	12	0.7
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	241.51	349.67	**256.72**	**-10.94**	-4.1	▲	▼	-23.7	-9.2		29.4	29	1.0
Novartis AG	NVS	79.09	95.17	**84.64**	**0.30**	0.4	▲	▼	-3.2	-7.1		6.1	8	3.6
Nvidia Corporation	NVDA	140.55	346.47	**157.62**	**-0.76**	-0.5	▼	▼	-46.4	-22.5		30.2	41	...
Otis Worldwide Corp	OTIS	66.97	92.84	**69.51**	**-0.38**	-0.5	▲	▼	-20.2	-17.4		0.0	24	1.4
Pfizer Inc	PFE	39.53	61.71	**51.75**	**-1.42**	-2.7	▲	▼	-12.4	32.6		13.1	15	3.1
Pitney Bowes	PBI	3.46	9.50	**3.69**	**0.04**	1.1	▲	▼	-44.3	-57.4		-19.1	...	5.4
Prudential Fncl	PRU	89.73	124.22	**92.33**	**-3.98**	-4.1	▲	▼	-14.7	-4.6		-0.1	5	5.2
Pub Svc Ent Gp	PEG	58.19	75.61	**60.55**	**-1.91**	-3.1	▲	▼	-9.3	3.4		10.6	21	3.6
Raytheon Technolog	RTX	79.00	106.02	**91.23**	**-3.89**	-4.1	▲	▼	6.0	8.5		5.7	41	2.2
Rogers Corp	ROG	176.00	274.51	**264.00**	**1.32**	0.5	▲	▼	-3.3	35.4		18.8	46	...
SS&C Technlogies	SSNC	54.59	84.85	**59.23**	**-0.74**	-1.2	▲	▼	-27.8	-20.5		8.7	39	1.1
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	SIRI	5.69	6.88	**6.35**	**0.04**	0.6	▲	▼	0.0	1.9		4.5	20	1.4
Snap Inc A	SNAP	11.88	83.34	**13.65**	**-1.31**	-8.8	▲	▼	-71.0	-78.9		-2.9	...	...
Stanley Black & Deck	SWK	99.43	210.92	**107.13**	**-3.15**	-2.9	▲	▼	-43.2	-47.0		-3.9	11	2.9
Taiwan Semicon	TSM	73.74	145.00	**85.63**	**4.12**	5.1	▲	▼	-28.8	-31.2		20.4	10	1.8
Terex Corp	TEX	26.64	53.82	**28.90**	**0.77**	2.7	▲	▼	-34.2	-37.3		-5.0	9	1.8
Tesla Inc	TSLA	620.57	1243.49	**720.20**	**-32.09**	-4.3	▲	▼	-31.8	9.4		61.3	>99	...
Travelers Cos	TRV	145.40	187.98	**156.18**	**-12.82**	-7.6	▼	▼	-0.2	3.1		6.5	11	2.4
Uber Technologies	UBER	19.90	49.29	**21.67**	**-0.67**	-3.0	▼	▼	-48.3	-56.2		0.0	...	...
Unitedhealth Group	UNH	383.12	553.29	**529.75**	**11.12**	2.1	▲	▼	5.5	22.6		23.0	33	1.1
Virtus Invest	VRTS	161.30	338.80	**180.52**	**5.57**	3.2	▲	▼	-39.2	-32.4		10.4	12	3.3
Voya Financial	VOYA	56.20	74.97	**58.05**	**-1.07**	-1.8	▲	▼	-12.5	-7.5		9.5	7	1.4
Webster Financial	WBS	40.72	65.00	**43.75**	**0.41**	0.9	▲	▼	-21.7	-12.4		-1.6	10	3.7
White Mtns Insur	WTM	978.51	1291.50	**1245.58**	**3.02**	0.2	▲	▲	22.9	10.7		7.8	...	0.1
World Wrestling Ent	WWE	46.81	68.73	**63.63**	**-0.13**	-0.2	▲	▲	29.0	14.3		25.6	27	0.8
XPO Logistics Inc	XPO	45.09	90.78	**48.01**	**-1.58**	-3.2	▲	▼	-38.0	-42.9		4.7	8	...
Xerox Holdings Corp	XRX	13.24	25.53	**14.53**	**0.15**	1.0	▼	▼	-35.8	-37.0		-8.5	...	6.9
Yamana Gold Inc	AUY	3.70	6.40	**4.57**	**-0.21**	-4.4	▼	▼	8.3	10.4		15.4	30	2.6

Notes on data: Total returns, shown for periods 1-year or greater, include dividend income and change in market price. Three-year and five-year returns annualized. Three year return shown for stocks trading less than five years (indicated by "a"). Ellipses indicate data not available. Price-earnings ratio unavailable for closed-end funds and companies with net losses over prior four quarters. Rank classifies a stock's performance relative to all U.S.-listed shares, from top 20 percent (▮▯▯▯▯) to bottom 20 percent (▮▮▮▮▮).

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15 year fixed mortgage	4.93	4.94	Savings interest	0.44	0.43

TREASURYS	FRIDAY YIELD	CHANGE 1WK	1MO	3MO	1YR	52-WEEK HIGH	LOW
3-month T-Bill	2.33	0.38	▲	▲	2.28	2.38	0.03
6-month T-Bill	2.91	0.26	▲	▲	2.86	2.93	0.04
52-week T-Bill	3.12	0.18	▲	▲	3.05	3.21	0.05
2-year T-Note	3.14	0.03	▼	▲	2.91	3.45	0.17
5-year T-Note	3.05	-0.08	▼	▲	2.27	3.61	0.65
7-year T-Note	3.03	-0.13	▼	▲	1.96	3.60	0.95
10-year T-Note	2.96	-0.13	▼	▲	1.67	3.48	1.17
30-year T-Bond	3.10	-0.17	▼	▲	1.18	3.43	1.67

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	TICKER	FRIDAY CLOSE	$CHG 1WK	PCT CHANGE 1WK	1MO	1YR
1. Chevron Corp	CVX	137.65	-5.12	-3.6	-7.2	38.1
2. Merck & Co	MRK	94.96	2.18	2.3	12.2	24.3
3. Unitedhealth Group	UNH	529.75	11.12	2.1	17.2	21.2
4. CocaCola Co	KO	62.50	-0.64	-1.0	5.2	16.5
5. McDonalds Corp	MCD	255.01	1.77	0.7	8.8	9.3
6. Travelers Cos	TRV	156.18	-12.82	-7.6	-3.5	9.1
7. Procter & Gamble	PG	145.07	0.05	0.0	9.6	9.0
8. IBM	IBM	139.92	-0.55	-0.4	3.6	7.3
9. Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	178.23	-0.05	0.0	5.2	6.2
10. Amgen	AMGN	248.69	0.21	0.1	6.0	4.0
11. Apple Inc	AAPL	150.17	3.13	2.1	14.1	0.5
12. Verizon Comm	VZ	51.02	0.53	1.0	4.1	-5.4
13. Home Depot	HD	292.41	5.94	2.1	8.0	-7.2
14. Microsoft Corp	MSFT	256.72	-10.94	-4.1	3.7	-9.2
15. WalMart Strs	WMT	129.07	3.67	2.9	9.1	-9.2
Dow Jones industrial average		31288.26	-49.89	-0.2	+4.7	-9.8
16. Visa Inc	V	210.04	6.47	3.2	10.5	-15.2
17. Dow Inc	DOW	49.55	-1.83	-3.6	-9.5	-16.3
18. Cisco Syst	CSCO	43.07	-0.32	-0.7	-0.7	-17.1
19. Caterpillar Inc	CAT	173.38	-5.72	-3.2	-10.0	-17.1
20. Walgreen Boots Alli	WBA	38.03	0.48	1.3	-3.3	-17.3
21. Amer Express	AXP	142.48	0.72	0.5	-1.2	-18.1
22. Goldman Sachs Grp	GS	293.87	-2.60	-0.9	5.0	-20.7
23. Honeywell Intl	HON	172.80	-0.54	-0.3	-3.8	-22.0
24. JPMorgan Chase	JPM	112.95	-1.41	-1.2	-0.1	-25.5
25. Intel Corp	INTC	38.62	0.63	1.7	4.5	-32.1
26. 3M Company	MMM	130.13	1.41	1.1	0.2	-32.7
27. Salesforce.com Inc	CRM	167.38	-8.12	-4.6	2.5	-33.0
28. Nike Inc B	NKE	104.70	-3.23	-3.0	-2.5	-34.2
29. Boeing Co	BA	147.74	8.67	6.2	8.0	-36.9
30. Disney	DIS	95.20	-0.66	-0.7	0.9	-49.4

30 BIGGEST FU NDS

FUND	ASSETS (in billions)	TICKER	PCT RETURN 1WK	1MO	1YR	RANK 5YRS*
Vanguard 500 Index Admiral	$362	VFIAX	-0.9	2.0	-10.1	11.4
Vanguard Total Stock Instl	269	VTSAX	-1.1	1.9	-12.9	10.7
Vanguard Total Intl Stock Idx	155	VGTSX	-2.2	-3.9	-20.4	1.7
Vanguard Instl Index Plus	139	VIIIX	-0.9	2.0	-10.1	11.4
American Growth Fd of America	98	AGTHX	-1.9	0.6	-23.4	9.7
Vanguard Instutional Index	97	VINIX	-0.9	2.0	-10.1	11.4
American Balanced	91	ABALX	-0.4	0.3	-8.6	6.7
Fidelity Contrafund	87	FCNTX	-1.5	1.3	-21.3	11.2
Dodge & Cox Stock	83	DODGX	-1.1	-0.2	-5.7	9.7
American Income Fd of America	75	AMECX	-0.8	-0.7	-4.9	5.9
American Washington Mutual	68	AWSHX	-1.0	0.5	-3.5	10.3
American Investment Co. Amer	63	AIVSX	-1.5	-0.8	-12.3	8.0
American Capital Income Bldr	61	CAIBX	-0.8	-0.8	-6.6	4.0
American Fundamental Investor	54	ANCFX	-1.0	0.0	-13.9	8.1
American New Perspective	48	ANWPX	-1.6	-0.2	-21.9	8.7
PIMCO Total Return Instl	47	PTTRX	0.7	1.6	-11.6	1.0
American CapWorld Growth/Inc	47	CWGIX	-1.9	-3.1	-19.1	4.6
Dodge & Cox International Stock	40	DODFX	-2.8	-6.0	-12.6	0.7
Vanguard Windsor II Admiral	38	VWNAX	-0.9	0.2	-9.4	9.5
Fidelity Growth Company	32	FDGRX	-1.8	2.4	-25.8	15.9
FrankTemp Income	32	FKINX	-0.4	-0.9	-2.8	5.0
Fidelity Blue Chip Growth	32	FBGRX	-1.6	0.7	-28.4	14.4
Fidelity Balanced	30	FBALX	-0.5	1.7	-11.7	8.8
American AMCAP	30	AMCPX	-1.7	2.4	-21.5	8.0
American Bond Fund of America	25	ABNDX	0.7	1.6	-10.2	1.4
American SmallCap World	25	SMCWX	-2.3	-0.5	-30.6	6.0
Fidelity Low-Priced Stock	23	FLPSX	-0.4	-2.9	-8.5	8.1
Fidelity Puritan	23	FPURX	-0.7	0.3	-11.4	8.4
Fidelity Magellan	22	FMAGX	-0.6	4.4	-16.0	11.2
American EuropePacific Growth	19	AEPGX	-1.6	-2.9	-28.2	2.0

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The documents composing the Request for Proposals will be available on Monday, July 18, 2022 and may be obtained through email to Zorefa Mohammed zmohammed@chrhealth.org and Lorri DiBattisto lorri@dibattisto.com . Any request for hard copies can be requested from Lorri DiBattisto for a non-refundable fee of $175 per bid package.

A mandatory site visit will be held Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 1 p.m.

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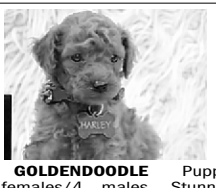

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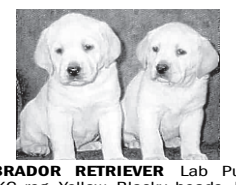

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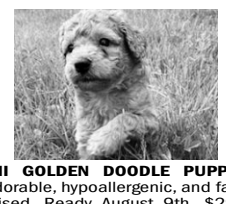

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New York Times Crossword

MOVIN' ON UP

BY CHRISTINA IVERSON AND SCOTT HOGAN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

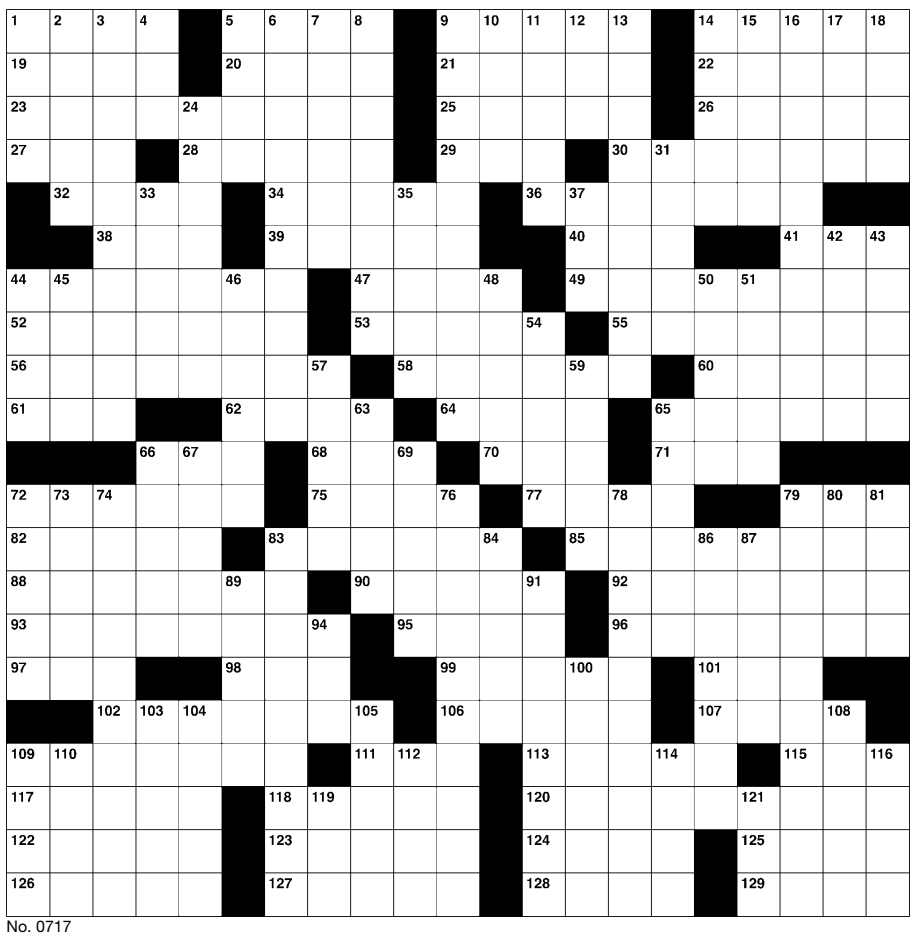
Scott Hogan is making his New York Times debut with this puzzle, after many submissions. He is a patent attorney from Midland, Mich. Christina Iverson is a crossword constructor and editor from Ames, Iowa. They met through the Cruciverb Facebook page, a forum for crossword constructors. Scott says he takes inspiration from the lyric of "Movin' On Up," the theme song from "The Jeffersons" — "It took a whole lotta tryin', just to get up that hill." — W.S.

ACROSS

1 [omg haha!!]
5 Left speechless
9 Reward for sitting, say
14 Entice
19 Something we share
20 Rocker John whose surname sounds like a leafy vegetable
21 "____ Man Chant," song by Bob Marley and the Wailers
22 Diarist Nin
23 Where some stable relationships form?
25 San Diego State athlete
26 Verge
27 Name that's 98-Across backward
28 The sky, they say
29 "All the Light We Cannot ____" (2015 Pulitzer-winning novel)
30 Certain Chinese teas
32 Roman emperor after Nero and Galba
34 Heep of "David Copperfield"
36 Drop the "Donuts" from "Dunkin' Donuts," e.g.
38 Some four-year degrees: Abbr.
39 Kind of attack with no attacker
40 Michael Jackson hit whose title is heard 88 times in the song
41 What might accompany a grave admission?
44 Claws
47 Cheese with a light, nutty flavor
49 Quite an uproar
52 Design style influenced by Cubism
53 Fabric often dyed with indigo
55 Each of its tinterior angles measures 135 degrees
56 Swing preventer, of a sort
58 Like some vows
60 Run off together
61 Personal ID
62 Like a sweater that shrank in the dryer, maybe
64 Its alphabet includes delta
65 Some Brothers Grimm villains
66 Artless nickname?
68 Tease
70 Sarcastic punch line
71 That guy's
72 40 winks
75 Threads
77 Tepid greeting
79 Second word of many a limerick
82 Sans-serif font
83 Thesis writer
85 Meaning of a signal flare
88 2021 Aretha Franklin biopic
90 Strained
92 Greek name meaning "golden one"
93 Something filmed in Broadway's Ed Sullivan Theater, with "The"
95 Journalist Skeeter in the Harry Potter books
96 Train segment
97 Butt end
98 Name that's 27-Across backward
99 "Sweet dreams!"
101 Rapper ____ Rida
102 It's not a good look
106 Family/species go-between
107 The last thing you need?
109 Like the community portrayed in Netflix's "Unorthodox"
111 Piercing tool
113 Tickle
115 Evian, in its native land
117 Cruciverbalist's favorite cookies?
118 "Well, gosh!"
120 Tipsy trips
122 Teatro alla ____
123 Takes a car, in a way
124 Lab assistant in "Young Frankenstein"
125 It may be upper or lower
126 Blue-book filler
127 Much of a sponge
128 Mad, with "off"
129 Word of surprise

DOWN

1 Santa ____, Calif.
2 Closing section
3 Banana wielded by a maestro in a pinch?
4 Drug that can be microdosed
5 Berry in a bowl
6 Animated short before a Pixar movie?
7 New York resting place for Mark Twain
8 In the stars
9 Give a scathing review of a major camera brand?
10 Demolish
11 Compound with a fruity smell
12 Had a hero, say
13 Mexican street-food mogul?
14 Pair of small hand drums
15 Defunct company of accounting fraud fame
16 Smaug, in "The Hobbit"?
17 Send an e-message to
18 Makes shame-y noises
24 Does a fad 2010s dance
31 Pro using cutting-edge technology?
33 Movie rating that's practically NC-17
35 Political staffers
37 Retreat
42 "Fingers crossed!"
43 Window units
44 Small amounts
45 God whose name sounds almost like the ammunition he uses
46 Starts to go haywire
48 Where 122-Across can be found
50 Places for placentas
51 Surrounding lights
54 Movement championed by the Silence Breakers
57 Get rid of
59 Light-headed sorts?
63 Word after gas or ice, in astronomy
65 Novelist Achebe
66 Wizard's name in books and movies
67 Spun things
69 Kind of patch that may create holes instead of repairing them
72 Otis and ____ (1960s R.&B. duo)
73 Disciplines
74 Response to "Why art thou queasy?"
76 What Amazon retirees enjoy most?
78 Result of love at first sight?
79 What a dog greets its returning family with?
80 Inter ____
81 Trade jabs
83 Retail takeover scheme?
84 Fix, as laces
86 Nomad
87 Annyeonghaseyo : Korean :: ____ : English
89 Tailgating dish
91 "Tarnation!"
94 Very, colloquially
100 Compassionate
103 Actress Davis who was the first African American to win the Triple Crown of Acting
104 Start of a guesstimate
105 Like a proverbial beaver
108 Model material
109 Place for a run?
110 Rainbows, e.g.
112 "____ saved!"
114 Large amount
116 Bookstore sticker
119 "Euphoria" airer
121 Excellent service?



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Hartford-area rainfall below normal

State urges reduction in water use, with focus on garden sprinklers, amid latest drought warning

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

Connecticut has issued the summer's second drought warning as a lack of rain prompts calls for water conservation, in particular cutting back on lawn and garden sprinklers.

Gov. Ned Lamont on Thursday approved the recommendation by the Interagency Drought Working Group declaring all eight counties are experiencing Stage 2 drought conditions. The warning is intended to identify an emerging drought, potentially affecting water supplies, agriculture and natural ecosystems.

"Residents should not be alarmed, but begin taking steps now to reduce their water usage," said Martin Heft, undersecretary at the Office of Policy and Management and chair of the Interagency Drought Workgroup.

The state is asking residents to reduce automatic outdoor irrigation, postpone the planting of lawns and vegetation and minimize waste by fixing leaky plumbing and fixtures.

The state alerted New London and Windham counties in June of a Stage 1 level of drought awareness, Heft said. "Everything is worsening statewide," he said.

If necessary, future stages warn of a moderate drought, followed by a severe water deficit and mandatory water use restrictions.

Rainfall in the Hartford area is below normal, down a little more than 2 inches since June 1, said Alan Dunham, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Norton, Massachusetts.

"Basically, we're getting summertime precipitation, mostly hit or miss," he said.

The U.S. Drought Monitor reports that Connecticut and most of New England are either "abnormally dry" or in "moderate drought."

Farmers in eastern Connecticut,

Turn to Drought, Page 2

Cushman Farm dairy farmer Brandon Smith trucked in water when his wells ran dry in October 2020. A lack of rain in June and July are again stressing dairy farms in eastern Connecticut. **COURANT FILE PHOTO**

Linking health care, gun violence

UConn researchers say doctors can play part in firearm safety

By Harriet Jones
Conn. Health I-Team

Dr. Stacy J. Taylor routinely asks her patients about safe gun storage at home.

"I had someone say they put it in their bedside table and it is loaded," said Taylor, a family practitioner with Trinity Health New England. "So I said, 'Maybe that's not a great idea. If you don't have a safe, at least keep the gun in one place and the bullets in another.'"

Taylor

Her patient promised to consider making a change.

Questions about safe gun storage don't pop up at every annual physical or well visit. Studies suggest that only a quarter of family physicians regularly discuss gun safety with their patients.

Despite having some of the strictest gun control laws in the country, Connecticut is enduring high levels of gun violence, with more than 60 deaths in the first six months of 2022.

Across the nation, with more than 300 mass shootings this year, gun fatalities remain a leading cause of premature death. In 2020, 45,222 people in the U.S. died of gun-related injuries, with suicides accounting for more than half of those deaths, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports.

A new study by two University of Connecticut researchers aims to find out why doctors aren't routinely addressing this serious public health problem.

Turn to UConn, Page 3

Hartford native Diego Lopez works as a youth anti-violence leader at COMPASS in Hartford. As a former Latin Kings member, he can relate to the young people he works with and understand their situation intimately. **DOUGLAS HOOK/HARTFORD COURANT**

A new direction

By Deidre Montague | Hartford Courant

COMPASS Youth Collaborative CEO Jacquelyn Santiago said Diego Lopez, the organization's antiviolence team leader, brings a message of transformation to the Hartford youth he works with.

Lopez is "a living, walking, breathing testimony," Santiago said.

Today Lopez can be found helping at-risk youth on the streets of Hartford to live a positive life that is free of crime.

Born in Hartford to a single mother, Lopez lived with domestic violence. Angry and bitter, he took to the streets and started getting into trouble.

As gang warfare raged in 1990s Hartford, Lopez got involved with the Latin Kings. The city murder rate was high and the gang's rivalry with Los Solidos was so bloody, Hartford was featured on Dan Rather's on-air CBS segment, "In the Killing Fields in America."

> From leader of Latin Kings to leading Hartford kids to a better life, COMPASS' Diego Lopez is a 'living, walking, breathing testimony'

Lopez eventually became president of the Latin Kings, the law caught up with him and he spent nearly a decade in prison. When he came out, there were no programs available to help him obtain his GED or get his life in order, so Lopez leaned on the streets for a few more years. However, as he grew older and with a daughter to care for, Lopez started wanting to live a different life.

The first COMPASS Youth Collaborative Peacebuilder director, Iran Nazario, approached him and offered him a way out — turn his life around by giving back to his community. Lopez accepted.

Turn to Lopez, Page 2

House of Heroes CT brings tally to 175 veterans served

Dozens of volunteers make home repairs for WWII, Vietnam vets

By Alison Cross
Hartford Courant

For the last 10 years, House of Heroes Connecticut has honored the state's military and public safety veterans by repairing and improving their homes. On Saturday, the organization reached a new milestone — 175 veterans served.

HOH honored its 174th and 175th veterans, 93-year-old World War II veteran Richard Glidden of Berlin and Vietnam War veteran Peter Johnson of Plainville, with flag-raising ceremonies.

Nearly 50 volunteers, including members of Sikorsky, Tops Marketplace, the Berlin Lions

Turn to Heroes, Page 3

Volunteers from the House of Heroes Connecticut chapter work on repairing World War II veteran Richard Glidden's deck Saturday. The organization reached a new milestone — 175 veterans served. **CAROL MAY/COURTESY**

CORONAVIRUS IN CONNECTICUT

As restrictions relax, long COVID persists

A look at what state doctors are doing about it

By Jenna Carlesso
CT Mirror

Six months after her bout with COVID-19, Jannell Roberts still doesn't feel like herself.

She gets winded walking short distances. She launches into frequent coughing fits and feels her nose running. She can't focus while reading a book, a frustrating ordeal for an avid reader.

"I'm tired all the time. I have trouble concentrating," said Roberts, who lives in West Haven. "I try to keep myself awake, but there are a lot of times in the afternoon or early evening where I'll just start nodding off. I can't really focus or I won't be able to sit still.

Nicole Bongiovanni caught the coronavirus early in 2021. More than a year later, the Madison resident is still without her sense of taste and smell. She has a cough that comes and goes, and gone are the nights when she can stay up until midnight watching television. Her new bedtime is 8 p.m.

Bongiovanni, an aide who cares for people in their homes, went from three clients to two as her exhaustion set in.

"My energy went down. I get tired really easily," she said. "I begin to cough. I feel like I'm sick when I'm not really sick." When she finishes work for the day, "all I want is to do is go to sleep."

Both women have a condition known as long COVID, or post-COVID syndrome, a growing problem in Connecticut and elsewhere.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that one in five people under 65 who have had the coronavirus experienced

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Drought

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particularly at dairies, feel the impact of a lack of rain. Larger dairies are hauling water as wells are stressed, said Emily Cole, Farm Service Agency state executive director for Connecticut.

And although the first cutting of hay that's used as feed was excellent, it's "not bouncing back," she said. Farmers would likely have to pay more to bring in hay from out of state or rely on silage, Cole said.

Dry weather also has an impact on the state's sizable nursery industry, said Kevin Zorda, a landscape designer at the Garden Barn in Vernon. A hotter summer could require daily watering and with no help from nature, well water is more frequently tapped, he said.

Water restrictions have been in place in parts of Connecticut for several years. In 13 towns in southwest Connecticut and portions of Hartford and New London counties, Aquarion Water Co. imposes a mandatory twice-weekly sprinkler immigration schedule until Oct. 31. The policy began in 2017 after Connecticut's 2016 drought, spokesman Peter Fazekas said.

Aquarion ran temporary pipelines along the Merritt Parkway in 2016, carrying water to Stamford from Wilton with connections from the Bridgeport system. A water ban was issued in 2016. "We don't want to go there again," Fazekas said.

The Metropolitan District, which provides water and wastewater service to several central Connecticut towns and cities, including Hartford, is flush with water. Even with dry conditions, its drinking water reservoir supply is more than 94.5% of capacity. That represents about 628 days of supply in storage, assuming regular water production and no rainfall.

The water supply of the MDC, which serves an area of 400,000 residents and 100,000 customers, is a surface water supply system of reservoirs of 30.3 billion-gallon Barkhamsted Reservoir and 9.5 billion-gallon Nepaug Reservoir. MDC's watershed area extends into Massachusetts and receives rainfall even when the Hartford area doesn't.

"The amount of water we have is more than anyone else," MDC spokesman Nick Salemi said.

Off-kilter weather patterns have been a fixture for several years. In 2020, the Hartford area was down about 11 inches of rain, with reservoir levels in September an average 73.6% full. The state average for normal then was 89.5%.

Last year, the problem was too much water. Several tropical storms and a barrage of torrential rain in the summer hit farms hard, ruining fall crops.

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"That opportunity just changed my life. I mean, that kind of gave me a perspective on just what was going on in my life and how I could help someone else in their life," he said.

"When I reflect back to my childhood, I didn't have an opportunity to be a kid," says Diego Lopez. "At 13, I was selling cocaine. ... I had no dad. ... It was just chaos and a lot of the kids that we work with are dealing with ... the same chaos." **DOUGLAS HOOK/HARTFORD COURANT**

A better life is obtainable

When he talks with youth today, they have honest and authentic conversations about many topics, especially life and death, a grave reality they face as they navigate neighborhoods where community violence is prevalent.

"A lot of people want to talk to these kids like they are little kids," Lopez said. "They were little kids, but because they went through all this trauma, they've grown up a lot faster than what normal kids will grow up. A lot of these kids don't have the opportunity to ever be kids.

"You know, when I reflect back to my childhood, I didn't have an opportunity to be a kid. At 13, I was selling cocaine. ... I had no dad. ... It was just chaos and a lot of the kids that we work with are dealing with ... the same chaos."

His fearlessness and transparency allow him to connect with youth that many others may have given up on.

"Honestly, my experiences have allowed me to work with kids that a lot of people don't want to work with, that they're afraid to work with because of their circumstances, or because where they need to go to meet them," he said. "I mean, because these kids ain't these kids at the Boys Clubs and the YMCA kids. They're the kids that's hugging the block with a gun and they don't understand that there's hope."

Lopez says he's living proof of this hope. Thanks to his work at COMPASS, Lopez has sent both of his daughters to college. One is attending Michigan State University, and the other will attend UConn in the fall. He also has purchased a home, where he was able to take some of his youth in, and a vehicle. His hope is that his accomplishments will inspire his youth to know that better is possible.

"COMPASS has given me the opportunity to give back in a real way. ... This is real. There's nothing fake about it. I'm telling them: This is obtainable. You know, I was in their position. I grew up the same way. This is obtainable. It's more obtainable. They can become more successful than I've ever become, because they've got more time."

While he works hard to instill this into his youth, Lopez acknowledges the challenge working with both victims and perpetrators of violence is formidable.

Relentless work to improve lives

To gain the trust of the young people he works with, Lopez and his team of Peacebuilders have to be relentless, Lopez said.

"Everyone thinks you the police, everybody thinks you DCF, and they look at these people as threats to them. Sometimes it takes a little time when they don't know you. Sometimes you go there, and it's, 'Oh, that's him from back in the day. He changed his life. I need you to change my kid. I need you to work with my kid and teach my kid.' Sometimes they don't know, and they're a little wary," he said. "So, it takes a little time."

Sean was a gunshot victim at a younger age. After he was shot, Sean decided he needed a gun to protect himself and ultimately got arrested.

After seeing Sean first go to court with his hair unkempt and a sweat suit, Lopez got him a dress suit, took him to the barber and advocated for him before the judge.

"If you want the court to think that you made a mistake and think that you're different, then you can't look like everybody that's coming to this court. You really have to look different," Lopez said.

Sean also complied with all court requirements, completing treatment programs to avoid jail time and was put on probation. During his probation period, Sean was also able to gain custody of daughter full time.

"Just imagine if Sean wasn't released from prison. Where would his daughter be right now? A lot of people, they look at things and they want to deal with it by incarcerating people, but don't look at how some of those decisions are going to affect other people," Lopez said.

Trauma often plays a role in the lives of the young people he works with. "Sean was a young man, who was a victim of violence that was failed by our community. That's how I look at it," Lopez said.

Ayelet Chozick, director of organizational advancement, said it costs COMPASS $10,000 to serve one youth like Sean, in comparison to incarceration figures she has seen in the state that range from $62,000 to $200,000.

"Would you rather incarcerate this young man and who knows what's going to happen in nine years or 10 years or two years, or put him through this program?" Chozick said. "It's not going to be a straight line. We know that, but we work really hard with him."

Lopez and his team's work have paid off for Sean. Through COMPASS he got a job and is doing well.

Chozick said that Lopez and the organization work to give their youth opportunities to find themselves and figure out how to live a good life, make money and support their families.

"There's that ripple effect where (Sean's) life is better now, his daughter's life is going to be better, maybe his sibling's life will be better. You drop that pebble in and you see the ripples. That's what [Lopez and his team] are. They're going in there."

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at least one health issue that could be deemed long COVID. For people 65 and older, that figure is higher — one in four.

Other studies have estimated that anywhere from 10% to 30% of coronavirus cases result in long COVID, while a few — including one from the Penn State College of Medicine — say more than half of people who had the disease develop the condition.

In Connecticut, providers say 5% to 30% of cases here lead to long COVID. A CDC analysis of Census data shows 29.3% — nearly a third — of adult COVID survivors in Connecticut have experienced lingering symptoms.

Even on the lower end of estimates nationally, the numbers are staggering. CDC data through February 2022 show that nearly 60% of Americans have been infected with the virus, including three in four children and adolescents. That means millions of people in the U.S. could be suffering with symptoms of long COVID.

For some, it is debilitating. Patients can experience shortness of breath, fatigue, brain fog, headaches, cardiac and central nervous system problems, cognitive dysfunction and musculoskeletal issues, among other symptoms, for weeks or months. Some have chronic pain.

Interventions

Although there is no cure, treatment programs have emerged with the aim of managing symptoms and helping people to recover as much as possible. And research is underway to better understand the condition and what interventions might prove effective.

At the same time, medical providers and advocates are trying to raise awareness about long COVID as public health mandates are rolled back and people resume pre-pandemic activities.

"We all have to think about long COVID," said Dr. Kathleen Mueller, head of the COVID Care Recovery Center at Trinity Health of New England. "I see people who were in excellent health with no complicating conditions before they had COVID, and a number are in a wheelchair. Some people are not able to focus at work and are on disability because of long COVID. It's unsettling. I do not want this.

"We're all tired of masks and we're all tired of social isolation. We're tired of all of this. And yet, COVID is not gone."

Long COVID occurs in people with a confirmed or probable case of the virus who develop lingering symptoms and for whom no other diagnosis can explain the symptoms. Those symptoms can last a minimum of four weeks but often go on longer.

Health officials say the condition can grow out of severe or mild cases of the virus. It can even affect some who initially had no COVID symptoms.

For some people, the symptoms come and go without explanation. Others have suffered consistently since their diagnosis. And still others have seen symptoms stop abruptly, either because of a vaccination, a booster shot or another reason.

The symptoms are wide ranging. The CDC lists 19 conditions most commonly reported, including fatigue that interferes with daily life, fever, cough, chest pain, anxiety, depression, headache, dizziness, change in taste or smell, stomach pain, diarrhea, joint pain and changes in menstrual cycles — but providers say there are far more. They can be respiratory, neurological, digestive, musculoskeletal and beyond.

"If you could find one symptom that is not under the banner of long COVID, you're doing a good job, because the list is enormous," Mueller said. "The breadth and the depth is just humbling."

Women who survive COVID are more likely than men to have lingering symptoms, according to a CDC analysis of Census data. Hispanic and Black adults were more likely to experience the condition (39.6% and 37.8%, respectively) than white adults (33.8%) and Asian adults (25.4%) who have had the coronavirus, the data show.

Bisexual and transgender adults were more likely to have experienced long COVID symptoms than people of other sexual orientations and gender identities. And 58% of adults with disabilities have suffered from ongoing symptoms, the study found.

The CDC analyzed Census Household Pulse Survey data from June 1 to 13.

Long COVID can exacerbate existing health problems. A person with asthma who already has breathing difficulty may find breathing to be even more challenging, and someone who already has heart issues can see those problems worsen.

But it can also trigger new issues. A person who has never experienced brain fog or breathing problems can suddenly have those challenges, providers say.

Anyone can develop long COVID, but in a study published in the journal Cell, researchers found four conditions that appear to be correlated with an increased risk of lingering symptoms: the amount of coronavirus RNA in a person's blood early in the infection (an indicator of viral load), the presence of certain autoantibodies (antibodies that mistakenly attack tissues in the body), the reactivation of Epstein-Barr virus, and having Type 2 diabetes, the New York Times reported.

With a growing number of people getting long COVID, treatment programs have launched in Connecticut and elsewhere to help patients manage the symptoms. Health systems such as Trinity Health of New England, Hartford HealthCare, Yale New Haven Health and Bristol Health now have treatment initiatives.

In many programs, a patient will be assessed and then paired with doctors in a range of specialties. The programs include cardiologists, pulmonologists, neurologists and physical and speech therapists, among others. They also involve practitioners outside of traditional medicine. For example, acupuncturists have been enlisted to help patients with fatigue.

"The best thing we found for fatigue is acupuncture," Mueller said. "Within three to six visits, some people start to get their energy back. Then we touch base again and see how they're doing, and we gradually increase movement."

Medication may be prescribed if appropriate. Sometimes physical therapy plays a role.

A big part of the initial appointment for long COVID patients is validating the person's condition. Because evidence of lingering symptoms doesn't always show up on medical testing and not all physicians are familiar with long COVID, patients have reported being told by doctors that the symptoms are all in their head.

"In our conversations with patients, we find there's a cathartic release of someone recognizing and validating that their symptoms aren't just anxiety, or that it's not just going to go away on its own," said Dr. Andaleeb Shariff, primary care clinical lead for Hartford HealthCare's COVID Recovery Center. "That can be half of their healing process."

"Just having somebody listen to your story and understand that you're not making it up, that you're not just looking to avoid going back to work, is important," Mueller said. "You can't go back to work because you're so debilitated from this illness. That's been one of the great gifts we've been able to do in the recovery center is help people understand these are long-term effects of an infection, and it's not all in their heads."

As more people seek treatment for the condition, advocates say it's important for doctors not to be dismissive of patients' symptoms and to understand how long COVID works.

"Studies have found long COVID is more prevalent in women, and research shows that women are often less believed about health issues that aren't really obvious," said Lisa Freeman, executive director of the Connecticut Center for Patient Safety. "I'm concerned that they're not being taken as seriously when they present with long COVID symptoms. It has to do with a lot of societal and preconceived notions. But I think we need to make sure that all patients are given the respect and the regard for what they're saying."

Advocates also called for a more robust public education campaign around long COVID, something state officials said could happen in the fall before an expected winter surge.

"This is one of the risks of what is happening as our society is opening. For some people, because they've heard anecdotes of COVID being relatively mild or not as severe, it is safe in many people's minds to take calculated risks and go on with life," said Dr. Manisha Juthani, Connecticut's public health commissioner. "But for some people, I do think they feel they were unaware of what the potential consequences could be. COVID is not new. In fact, we heard about long COVID within the first several months of the pandemic, and people have known about it. But I do think many people are not aware that it may still be a possibility at this point."

Long COVID doesn't have a precise definition, and research into the condition is still underway. Juthani said she would continue to watch for new information and could envision broader messaging on the topic in the fall.

"There is information out there that the CDC and others have provided, but I'm looking for a little bit more to really try to help people understand what that risk is. The more I can understand that and qualify that, the better we can explain it to people," she said. "The risks of long COVID are something I would want to really make people aware of as we go into another wave, when risks will be higher again."

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Heroes

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Club, the Kensington-Berlin Rotary and the Plainville High School Blue Devils football team, made the Saturday repairs on the two veterans' homes possible.

Carol May, the executive director of the HOH Connecticut, said that in 2023, the chapter plans to serve their 200th veteran.

"Veterans put their lives on the line for us [and] for our freedoms that we have here. I never served. I was a military wife for 23 years, but I see what these people go through and what they do for our country, and it's a way for somebody like me, who never served, to be able to go and help them and serve for them," May said.

According to the 2020 U.S. Census Bureau an estimated 160,142 veterans live in Connecticut. More than 25,000 veterans in the state have a service-connected disability, and 31,660 veterans live in homes with "one or more major problems of quality, crowding, or cost," according to the Housing Assistance Council.

For HOH, improving safety is the guiding mission of their projects.

"We've walked into so many unsafe houses [where] veterans are not living the way they should be living and not being treated the way they should be treated," May said.

The safety repairs made at Glidden's home included washing, refinishing and closing off an open deck that once held a pool, adding hand railings, and clearing out vegetation in the back and front yard.

Glidden has lived in the home since 1967. It's where he and his wife Jane Glidden raised their son. But ever since his wife's death in 2018, Glidden has lived alone.

"When you live alone and with the pandemic thing going on, I just don't go anywhere. I haven't been anywhere. But to see this ... and the job they did today is unbelievable. ... They made my backyard look like a park," Glidden said.

Gildden enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1946 at age 17. In the aftermath of World War II, Glidden served in Honshu, Japan, as a military policeman with the 49th Air Police Squadron. After an honorable discharge in 1949, Gildden received both the World War II Victory Medal and the Army of Occupation Medal.

One of 11 kids, Glidden was born in Southington and raised in New Britain. All seven boys of the family joined the military; Glidden's five older brothers served in World War II, and his younger brother served in Vietnam.

Glidden's HOH sponsor is Peter Galgano Jr., a Vietnam War veteran who now serves as the Veterans Commission secretary and the Municipal Veterans representative for the town of Berlin.

After serving in the Marines in Vietnam, Galgano said someone threw a beer bottle at his head as he got off his plane in San Diego. After that, he said he went home, hung up his uniform and kept quiet about his military service. Today, he honors his military background by helping veterans in his community.

Richard Glidden, a 93-year-old World War II veteran, wears his House of Heroes T-shirt. On Saturday, HOH volunteers came to Glidden's home to make safety repairs. **CAROL MAY/COURTESY**

"I didn't admit to being a veteran for 33 years," Galgano said. "Now I feel so good being able to help other veterans."

Galgano said that at four times during the day, he looked over to see Glidden with tears in his eyes.

May said that many of the veterans HOH serves have the same reaction.

"I always say, if I can bring these big men to tears, I've done a good thing. They're just so thankful," May said. "We hear today [that] there's so many bad things that are happening and people are just so mean and cruel to one another. But I don't think that's the case. I think there's more good than there are bad."

Glidden agrees.

"The people in Connecticut are very, very kind and very nice," Glidden said. "With so much hatred going on in the world. I've got to tell you, it's not around here. It's not in Connecticut."

Gazing up at the new American flag hanging proudly off his garage, Glidden said that he feels honored to be a veteran.

"I can't imagine not being patriotic to this country. ... A lot of men died to put that flag up there, a lot of men died and women," Glidden said. "They treat the veterans in Connecticut like they're somebody special, and they are, every one of them."

Those interested in donation, volunteer or sponsorship opportunities with Connecticut's House of Heroes can find information on the organization's website hohct.org.

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"We looked at why they don't include firearm security or safety conversations as part of what we call 'anticipatory guidance,' " said Jennifer Necci Dineen, an associate professor in residence at the School of Public Policy at the University of Connecticut, referring to when doctors ask about things like cancer screenings and whether a patient uses a seatbelt.

Dineen

Raissian

Study seeks ways to reduce gun violence: Dineen and co-researcher Kerri Raissian, an associate professor, did a qualitative survey of 18 family physicians in 18 states, including Connecticut. Most physicians surveyed did not ask about gun safety as a primary question but were apt to bring it up if another answer prompted the inquiry.

"If I screen for depression, for example, they may ask me if we have guns in our house," Dineen said. "If I express concern about my partner or, let's say, one of my children is violent and I talk to my physician about that, they may ask me if I have guns in the house. But they rarely will bring that up proactively."

The research is part of UConn's ARMS Center, or Advancing Research, Methods, and Scholarship for Gun Injury Prevention, which connects scholars, advocates, and policymakers in seeking ways to reduce gun violence.

The researchers selected nine states that have laws regarding gun storage in the home and nine that do not, aiming to determine whether the legal and political framework of the state influenced the physicians' decisions.

In Connecticut, Ethan's Law on safe gun storage was passed in 2019. The legislation is named for 15-year-old Ethan Song from Guilford, who died from an accidental shooting in a neighbor's home where there were unsecured firearms.

Doctors' broaching the topic of guns has been a political minefield in the past. In 2011 Florida passed a law that forbade physicians from asking about firearm ownership. After a series of appeals, a 2017 ruling found that the statute infringed on doctors' First Amendment rights.

Florida is not the only state to attempt so-called "gag" laws. Similar, though less restrictive, laws have been passed in Minnesota, Montana and Missouri.

But to the researchers' surprise the political climate of the physicians' home state didn't seem to be the deciding factor. And doctors' comfort level with the topic was only part of the picture. Instead, the most significant barrier turned out to be time.

"While we had suspected that a lot of it had to do with comfort or political context," Dineen said, "what we're hearing is it has more to do with time pressure and the fact that there's more to talk about now than there ever was before."

Add to that time pressure the fact that many conversations at wellness appointments are guided by a form provided by the doctor's electronic medical record system.

"These electronic medical records are prepackaged and purchased," Dineen said. "They tend to come with a standard set of items. Some of those items are driven by what's covered by insurance in many cases."

Dineen and Raissian are at the early stages of their research. They are writing a paper on their 18-state survey and hope to get funding to expand their research to include pediatricians and OB-GYNs. They hope their research will inform how electronic medical records are compiled so that gun safety questions become a routine part of wellness appointments.

Gun safety taught to medical students: Dr. Adam Weinstein, associate professor of medical sciences and pediatrics at Quinnipiac's Netter School of Medicine, says all medical students should be introduced to the idea of asking about safe gun storage as part of their training.

"We introduce this in September of the first year of medical school in a session where we introduce them to health maintenance visits for children and adults," he said. "Gun safety is introduced as one part of this more comprehensive whole with regards to health promotion and disease prevention."

Most students will also see the principle in practice as they observe health maintenance visits with a preceptor who is a family medicine practitioner and then again in their third year as they participate on the care team.

"It's a truly experiential learning," Weinstein said, "though the experience is not specific to gun safety and storage counseling. It's done in the context of and part of the full comprehensive health maintenance visit."

Taylor, who, in addition to being a family physician, is a member of the board of directors of the Connecticut State Medical Society, agrees that the question is also one of training.

"I do have students in my practice, and I teach them how to ask that question before they go in and ask it for the very first time," she said. "If you just say to someone, 'Do you own guns?' that comes across as confrontational."

Taylor said the better question is: If you own a gun, is it stored safely?

"You are implying that you care about the storage, not the gun ownership," she said. "It's a fine line between the patient perceiving you're challenging them versus helping them."

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Mid-year personal finance Q&A

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Q: I'm 46 years old and just started a new job with a big pay increase, where the company matches retirement contributions up to 5%. I have an emergency reserve fund, but I recently racked up credit card debt during a big move that I'm trying to pay off. I have also been trying to save in a brokerage account. What should my priorities be?
A: I would max out the retirement plan up to the match and then put every single extra penny toward paying down the credit card debt. Once it's paid off, redirect the money and max out retirement up to this year's limit of $20,500. After reaching that milestone, you can dump the extra money into the brokerage account.

Q: My husband and I inherited a large sum of money about 10 years ago and at the time, were not confident enough to manage the money ourselves. We've been paying 1% to a big brokerage firm, which invested everything in managed funds. After educating ourselves, we now like following the market, even as it's going crazy, and are wondering what your thoughts are about self-management by using index funds?
A: Paying 1% for straight-up money management is no bargain. If you are also getting financial planning for the fee, then maybe, but if you are ready to go it alone, I support the move. Do make sure that you're not too emotional and avoid tinkering with the portfolio allocation once you have set it up — maybe rebalance once a year to keep yourselves in check. Once you move the money, the 1% will flow down to your bottom line — a risk-free way to increase your return!

Q: Is there any way to avoid taxes on Required Minimum Distributions from my IRA? I don't need the money, and the amount pushes me into the 22% tax bracket. Is there anything I can do?
A: Great news: You can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), where the money bypasses you and goes straight to the charity. Here's how it works. If you are over age 70 ½, you can grant up to $100,000 directly to an eligible charity (not to a private foundation, a charitable supporting organization or a donor advised fund) from your IRA, without paying tax on the amount of the donation. While you are not entitled to claim a charitable contribution, you won't pay taxes on the money withdrawn, and in your case, this will keep your highest tax bracket at 12%.

Q: I will be 62 this year, and my advisor is suggesting that I should claim my Social Security now, so he can invest it. My wife and I have saved a lot, so I'm not sure this is a good idea. Thoughts?
A: I can categorically advise you NOT to do this. Claiming Social Security retirement benefits early (before your full retirement age) means that you are agreeing to a permanent reduction (as much as 25%) for your life — and this also impacts your wife's benefit if she plans to claim half of yours.

The beauty of Social Security is that it is indexed to inflation, and if you wait until after your full retirement age, you are entitled to "delayed retirement benefits," or about 8% a year more for each full year that you delay, until age 70.

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Exercise your right to be stress free

Science shows how to reduce anxiety and boost your mood without alcohol or medication

By Jeff Haden | Inc.

First things first. Depression is the fourth-leading cause of the global disease burden and the leading cause of disability. As for stress, nearly one in three people report feeling extreme stress, and three out of four experience stress that affects their physical or mental health. For some of those people, treatment (including medication) is the answer.

For others, a drink or two to unwind after a hard day seems like the perfect way to take the edge off of stress.

After all, taking care of your mental health is not just good for you, it's also good for business. Research shows sustained, chronic stress can cause leaders to become uncertain and unmotivated, and turn their focus toward themselves rather than their teams.

But what if you want to boost your mood and reduce your level of anxiety or stress without seeking treatment, taking medications or mixing a few drinks?

Enter exercise. At an extreme level, research shows exercise can be an effective way to treat clinical anxiety. (As opposed to "normal" anxiety, clinical anxiety is a medical disorder defined by excessive feelings of worry or persistent, even intrusive thoughts about certain fears, or constant fear in general.)

Another study found that increasing the frequency of exercise significantly reduces the odds of becoming depressed. Go from two long walks to three, or go from two 15-minute jogs per week to three, and you're over 25% less likely to become depressed. (Each additional increase in frequency further reduces the risk.)

And then there's this: Another study determined that brief, moderate exercise leaves you feeling more energized than a brief period of rest, and will improve your thinking and decision making. (Relaxing is actually counterproductive when brain function is concerned: Participants who relaxed for 15 minutes actually performed worse on cognitive tests than they did before resting.)

In each case, the key word is "moderate." High-intensity training isn't necessary if your main goal is to improve your mood and reduce stress. Running eight-minute miles won't grind more off your anxiety edge than 10-minute miles. Frequency is much more important than intensity.

For example, if you decide to take a quick, light jog, the key is to increase your heart rate, not to make it skyrocket. "Light" for most people means increasing your heart rate to around 110 to 120 beats per minute, depending, of course, on your age, fitness level, medical conditions, etc.

Here are three simple ways to boost your mood and burn off a little stress.

1. Do cardio first thing

Researchers at the University of Vermont found that aerobic training of "moderate intensity," with an average heart rate of around 112 beats a minute — elevated, sure, but it's not like they were hammering away — improved participants' mood for up to 12 hours after exercise.

Why first thing in the morning?

"Moderate intensity aerobic exercise improves mood immediately, and those improvements can last up to 12 hours," researcher Jeremy Sibold said. "This goes a long way to show that even moderate aerobic exercise has the potential to mitigate the daily stress that results in your mood being disturbed."

So yeah, work out late and waste some of those mood-boosted hours sleeping. Work out early and feel better all day.

What kind of cardio you do doesn't matter. Jog, elliptical, cycle, brisk walk — whatever you most like, and are most likely, to do.

2. Do a HIIT workout

HIIT stands for high-intensity interval training. The principle is simple: You go almost as hard as you can for a short period of time, and then rest for enough time to recover and go hard again.

In running terms, that could mean sprinting for 30 seconds, jogging for 30 seconds, sprinting for another 30 seconds, etc. The key is to not HIIT too hard. Vigorous exercise creates immediate strain on your body, and when your body can't adapt, cortisol builds up in your system, and cortisol is the primary stress hormone.

One way to avoid that problem is to start slower and get in a little better shape before you add HIIT training to your workouts. Another way is to start with, say, six minutes of HIIT — doing one 30-second high-output period, followed by 30 seconds of recovery, and repeating the cycle for six total minutes, and then gradually increasing the number and duration of cycles. Or doing 30 seconds "on" and increasing the subsequent rest periods to 45 or 60 seconds.

Again, where mood boosting is concerned, the key is to elevate your heart rate — not red-line it.

3. Do a group workout

Researchers found that working out in a group lowers stress by 26% and significantly improves the mental, physical and emotional quality of life compared with working out alone. The communal benefits of interacting with friends and colleagues paid dividends.

Interestingly, people who worked out alone tended to exercise twice as long per session as those who worked out in a group. (Yet more proof that most meetings are extremely inefficient.)

But if you prefer to work out solo, don't worry. Another study found there was no significant difference in mental health improvement between solo and group exercise.

The key is to exercise in the way and setting that you prefer. If working out alone is your thing (it's definitely mine), you'll enjoy it more. You'll do it more often. And you'll therefore be more likely to reap the benefits.

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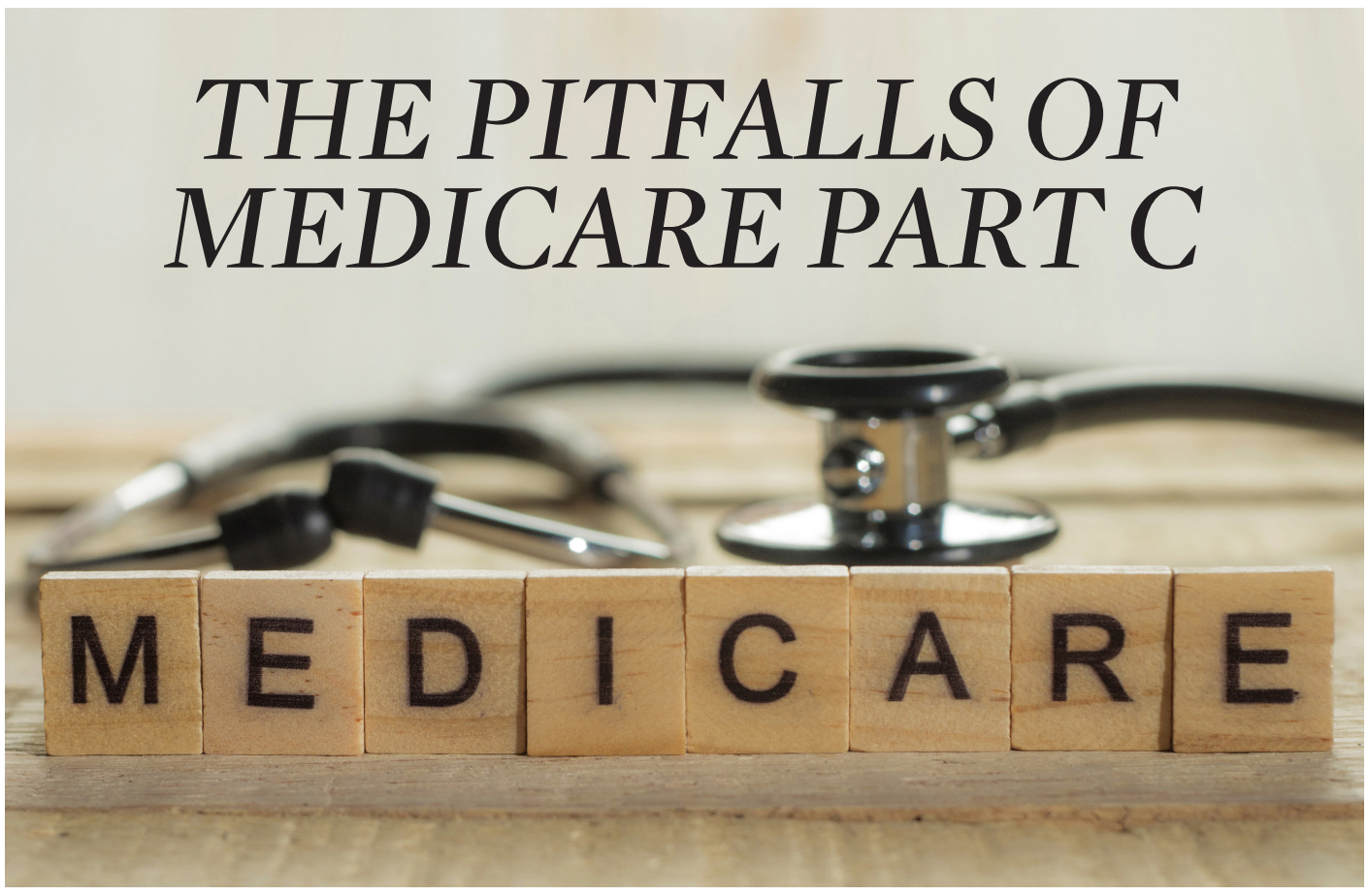

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Elliot Raphaelson
The Savings Game

If you watch television, it's hard to avoid the promotions for Medicare Advantage plans, known as Medicare Part C. These commercials suggest that if you are eligible for Medicare, you should be signing up for a Medicare Advantage plan. It's true that some individuals might benefit from a Medicare Advantage plan. However, you should be aware of the potential disadvantages.

David Bynon has written an informative ebook, "Why Medicare Advantage Plans Are Bad," which, as the title suggests, discusses the disadvantages in depth. It's well worth a read before you decide to buy any Medicare Advantage plan. (He also blogs on the subject at medicarewire.com.)

Once you reach 65, you are eligible to sign up for Original Medicare. If you have sufficient Social Security credits, you will be automatically enrolled in premium-free Part A (hospital insurance), and you will also be eligible to sign up for Part B (outpatient medical insurance); the monthly cost will vary based on your income going back two years.

If you sign up for Part B with Original Medicare, you will be covered for 80% of eligible medical costs after you meet your deductible. However, you can buy what is known as Medigap coverage to cover the remaining 20%. This coverage is very important because if you have serious health conditions or you need hospital coverage, 20% of medical costs can be significant. Without Medigap coverage, there is no limit to your possible expenses with Original Medicare.

Once you reach 65 and are enrolled in Part B, you will only have a limited amount of time to enroll in a Medigap plan. If you don't enroll in that period, or if you enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan instead of Original Medicare, you may not be able to enroll in a Medigap plan later. This is crucial. If you decide at any time to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan, there's no guarantee you can obtain a Medigap plan.

With a Medical Advantage plan, you may pay the plan's premium in addition to the monthly Part B premium. Plans may have a zero premium or may help pay all or part of Your Part B premiums.

Bynon's book itemizes some of the disadvantages of Medicare Advantage plans:

Multiple copays: You have a copay with your primary care medical facility. When you are referred to a specialist, you have another copay. You also have copays for lab tests and diagnostic tests.

Hospitalization cost: According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, 50% of individuals who have Medicare Advantage plans incur higher costs than those with Original Medicare/Medigap. For example, an inpatient event under a Medicare Advantage plan could run you hundreds of dollars for ambulance costs, medications, physicians and specialists, lab tests and diagnosis. A single hospital admission could easily cost more than the annual cost of a Medigap policy.

Less doctor contact: Because primary care facilities receive a flat fee associated with Medicare Advantage plans, you are much more likely to receive medical service from a nurse practitioner than a physician.

Referrals: According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, many plans control costs by using referrals, requiring prior authorization to specialists. Specialists require an additional copay.

Plan changes to benefits/costs: Insurers are allowed to change benefits, costs and provider networks each year. Monitor these changes each year to determine if you should change coverage. However, if you change your plan, you may not be able to be covered by Medigap coverage.

Budget uncertainty: With Medicare Advantage plans, you can't predict your yearly medical costs, such as for an unplanned hospital incident. With Original Medicare/Medigap, you know in advance what your yearly medical expenses will be.

Limited selection of doctors/providers: Your choice of doctors and other providers is limited. Some plans won't cover services from providers outside the plan's network and service area.

Bynon says that Medicare Advantage plans could be advantageous for individuals who are healthy and expect minimum use of medical support. However, if you have chronic health conditions, he recommends Original Medicare with a Medigap supplement.

If you want more details regarding Medicare Advantage plans, visit Medicare.gov/plan-compare. To become more educated regarding Medicare, visit Bynon's website at medicarewire.com.

Elliot Raphaelson welcomes your questions and comments at raphelliot@gmail.com.

High monthly car payments are adding to the long list of driver headaches

By Sam Becker
Fast Company

Imagine every penny you earned for nearly 10 months out of the year went toward paying off a single purchase. For millions of Americans, that's a reality, as it now takes more than 41 weeks of income to purchase a new light vehicle, according to data from the Cox Automotive/Moody's Analytics Vehicle Affordability Index. As of May, the estimated typical monthly payment for a new vehicle reached a record high of $712.

Additional data from Edmunds shows that some households are willing to push their budgets even further, with almost 13% of consumers who financed a new vehicle committing to a monthly payment that exceeds $1,000.

"The majority of consumers who are purchasing vehicles in these conditions are either in a financial position where money is less of a consideration or are doing so out of absolute necessity," said Jessica Caldwell, executive director of insights at Edmunds. "Looking ahead, a recovery in vehicle production in 2022 seems highly unlikely at this point, but a bright spot for the industry is that profit margins are staying high and pent-up consumer demand will only continue to build as shortages continue."

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With the median household income in the U.S. around $67,500, a monthly car payment of $1,000 — or even $700 — can quickly eat up a significant portion of a family's budget. Even so, buyers appear undeterred as they're evidently willing to spend more and more on a new car. This, despite rising interest rates that make auto loans more expensive and the prospect (or likelihood) of the economy entering a recession.

It's possible that buyers feel they have little choice, though, as their willingness to commit to a higher monthly payment has marched in tandem with car prices, which also have increased by thousands of dollars over the past couple of years. As of May, the average new vehicle cost more than $47,000; in 2018, prices were around $38,000.

Vehicle prices are one of the areas that have been hit the hardest by inflation as a shortage of materials and components like semiconductors, caused by supply-chain issues, created a logjam in the number of new cars hitting dealers' lots.

Fewer available cars led to higher prices, and rising car prices have been a major contributor to overall rising inflation levels. The latest Consumer Price Index data from May, which showed overall inflation at 8.5% year-over-year, also showed that new vehicle prices were up 1% month-over-month, and up 12.6% year-over-year. Prices for used cars and trucks were up more than 16% year-over-year.

Interestingly enough, as prices increase, the quality of vehicles sold appears to be decreasing. Almost every car brand saw a spike in the number of complaints in 2022 than they did a year ago — a sign of potential quality falling across the board, according to the recent 2022 J.D. Power Initial Quality Study.

Terry Savage
The Savage Truth

Matching the markets

As I write this column, the markets can't seem to make up their mind about whether the greatest threat is inflation or recession. Commodity prices of everything from oil to copper and lumber have fallen sharply on fears of an economic slowdown in the U.S. The 10-year Treasury note, on which mortgage rates are based, has fallen from 3.50% to 2.75%.

But by the time you read this, the markets may have turned around again — and you may have been whipsawed if you decided to speculate on whether the bottom in any market had been reached.

The first half of 2022 was the worst since 1970, with the S&P 500 stock index down 20%. At the same time, rising interest rates caused the S&P Bond index to decline almost 14%. There was no place to hide from the carnage, as even money kept safely in CDs or money market funds lost purchasing power to inflation, raging at over 8%. Now those losses are very visible as retirement accounts and brokerage firms send out their latest quarterly performance statements. Don't look around for a fund manager or segment that beat the market.

Energy was the best performing sector in the first half of the year, rising 32%. But in the first few days of July, oil fell from over $120/barrel to under $100/barrel, making energy stocks among the hardest hit.

Trying to pick winners and losers among individual stocks is bound to get amateur investors in deep trouble. Even the pros haven't done well this year.

A 60-40 balanced portfolio of stocks and high-quality bonds has always been considered the optimum asset allocation for a conservative investor. But it didn't work in the first half of this year, with both stocks and bonds losing money.

So, should you switch your allocation now for the second half of the year? That could be a fatal mistake, according to Dan Wiener and Jeffrey DeMaso of the Vanguard Independent Adviser newsletter (AdviserOnline.com). They have given me permission to quote their comments on the Vanguard Balanced Index Fund with a classic 60-40 allocation.

"Vanguard's most plain-vanilla 60-40 option is down 17.1% this year — the worst six-month showing for the fund since March 2009. Back in 2008-2009, stocks dragged the fund down while bonds were up 7%. This time stocks and bonds have fallen in sync — and in the case of bonds, fallen at a record-breaking pace.

"This has led some to conclude that blending stocks and bonds is a dead end. Neither Jeff nor I are jumping to that conclusion. The classic 60-40 portfolio may need a rethink. But if you've been invested in a diversified portfolio, this could be precisely the wrong time to steer a new path.

"Jeff calculated all six-month returns for a 60-40 portfolio back to 1945 using available index data. (This was well before Vanguard's founding, of course.) He identified every period with a 10% or greater decline — there were 15 of them, not including the first half of this year.

"On average, the balanced portfolio gained 10% over the next six months and was negative only once.

"Over (the succeeding) 12 months, the 60-40 portfolio was higher every single time — with an average return of 18.4%.

"Given that a lot of pain has already been handed out in both the stock and bond markets this year, you may be encouraged by the fact that returns have been particularly attractive following periods like the one we are currently going through."

Consider yourself warned. Human nature tends to remember only the most recent events. And in the past three years, the average annual return of the S&P 500 has been a record-breaking 17%, compared to the 10.1% average annual return over the past nearly 100 years.

During that centurylong period, several bear markets shaved 50% off the index each time — notably in 1973-74, 2000-2001 and 2008-2009. Still, with the Dow at 30,000, we are higher than each previous bull market peak.

Over the long run, it has always paid to be bullish on America. And that's The Savage Truth.

Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and the author of four bestselling books. She responds to questions on her blog at TerrySavage.com.

Be productive and avoid interruptions by steering clear of this

If you want to keep interruptions from cutting into your work flow, you first have to accept this brutal truth: For most of us, the most destructive interruptions are those we allow, or even create ourselves. Here are some to avoid.

Technology brings interruptions. Use it to limit them instead.
The infinite scroll of smartphones are a true temptation and procrastinator's dream. Turn on a focus assist option, to mute most notifications on PC, and set smartphone to do not disturb. Any of these steps can remove the interruptions caused by the dinging of direct messages from social media apps and more. Of course, there are such things as true emergencies, but you can use technology to set up a special notification sound or other alert for those few truly urgent messages

Wait ten seconds
When you get a notification, your automatic reaction may be to interrupt what you're doing and look at it. Try to break into that autopilot response by stopping, setting down your phone or other device, and counting out 10 seconds. After the ten seconds are up, take a deep breath and ask yourself this question: "Why now?" You most likely will reach a natural break point in your task sometime within the next 30 to 45 minutes. Does whatever notification you got really need your attention right now and not 45 minutes from now?

Plan for working blocks of time and break times.
I'm a fan of the Pomodoro Technique, which calls for 25 minutes of work time followed by five minutes of break time. That makes a lot of sense, considering that research suggests most adults can sustain attention for about 20 minutes at a time. For me, the beauty of this approach is that if I'm, say, halfway through a 25-minute work session and I feel a burning desire to check my email, I can often persuade myself to wait till the next official break. The worst interruptions are ones we impose on ourselves.

SOURCE: Minda Zetlin, Inc.

OBITUARIES BY TOWN

Avon
Rose Antiuk
Berlin
Marcin A. Grochal
Romuald E. Mogdans
Bloomfield
Harold C. Buckingham, Jr.
June Johnson
James L. Ritson
Bristol
Ana C. Cabán
Frances Hogan
Robert A. Schroeder
East Granby
Richard Bancroft
Kevin L. Sperry
East Hartford
Elizabeth V. Barisano
Joanne W Covey
Dennis A. Picard
Glastonbury
Thomas F. Barton
Harold C. Buckingham, Jr.
John A Cutler
Thomas C. Megargee
Granby
Cynthia A. Bilts
Donna L. Cabral
Glenn F Cosgrove
Jonathan C. Thrall
Hartford
Maxine E. Francis
James D. Keating
Jacob Krikorian
Laurie Parent
Agostinho Silva
Manchester
Gary L. Heard
Christine Kurdys
Laurie Parent
John Ruff
Barbara A. Williams
Middletown
Christian J Gould
New Britain
Marcin A. Grochal
Romuald E. Mogdans
Newington
Glenn F Cosgrove
Elizabeth Molloy
Phyllis J. Scherban
No Additional Town
Mary D. O'Hanlon
James L. Ritson
Old Lyme
Donald A. Shaub
Old Saybrook
James D. Keating
Other Towns in CT
Donna L. Cabral
Ariel Cassidy-Ising
Marie E. Krafcik
Christine Kurdys
Thomas C. Megargee
John Ruff
Elizabeth S. Russell
Donald A. Shaub
William A. Turner
Out of State
Thomas F. Barton
Gary L. Heard
Catharine Howell
Elizabeth S. Russell
Richard A. Sieklucki
Rocky Hill
Christian J Gould
Bertil F. Gustafson, Jr.
Simsbury
Rose Antiuk
Cynthia A. Bilts
Margaret G. Haaser
Thomas W. Hammick
Andrew Hobson
South Windsor
Elizabeth Molloy
Agostinho Silva
Southington
Marie E. Krafcik
Francis J. Tully
George E. Wagner
West Hartford
John A Cutler
Bertil F. Gustafson, Jr.
Jacob Krikorian
Brian M Lasker
Dennis A. Picard
Carol Sweedock
Wethersfield
Margaret G. Haaser
Richard A. Sieklucki
Windsor
Mary D. O'Hanlon
Jonathan C. Thrall

*** Denotes name listing only.**
Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Howell, Catharine "Kitty"

Catharine (Kitty) Elizabeth Middleton Howell (93) died peacefully Monday, June 27, 2022, in Carolina Village, Hendersonville, NC.
Born on June 24, 1929, in Denver, CO, Kitty was the daughter of Walter C. Middleton and Eva Dodds Middleton, both deceased. Kitty was preceded in death by her husband, E. Keith Howell, a sister, Marion Redd, three daughters, Cynthia Durdan, Susan Abbott, and Joan Montgomery, and her first husband, William Durdan. She is survived by daughter Judith Durdan, three granddaughters, Stephanie Rousseau, Shawna Santos, Chelsea Blanchard, one grandson Geoffrey Kraft, their spouses and six great grandchildren.
Kitty grew up in Watertown, NY where she attended elementary school and graduated from Watertown High School. She attended William Smith College and graduated from Hartford College for Women and the University of Hartford, Hartford, CT.
As a child, she was active in many organizations like the church choir, Girl Scouts, piano lessons, and the school band and orchestra playing the French horn.
While a stay-at-home mom, she volunteered in the PTO, tutoring children in math and an ESL woman from Cuba, as well as doing a lot of sewing for her girls. Later, she worked in several insurance companies until retirement.
When she and husband, Keith, moved to North Carolina, they did a lot of hiking in the mountains of NC as well as many hiking trips to Switzerland. They also traveled to the British Isles several times. Between trips, she spent a lot of time quilting and learning how to play the folk harp. She was also a member of the chimes group, the Linus knitting group and enjoyed spending time with many friends, playing Mahjong, and working in the library of Carolina Village,
A private interment of Kitty's ashes at the Memorial Garden of Carolina Village, Hendersonville will be scheduled later. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to charity or a cause of your choice. Condolences may be shared at www.shulerfuneralhome.com.

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Russell, Elizabeth S.

Elizabeth (Betsy) Stedman Russell, 90, of Bloomfield, died peacefully at the Hartford Hospital on July 12, 2022. She was born and lived in West Hartford for most of her life, then moved to Bloomfield in her later years. She attended Beach Park School, Oxford School, Centenary College, and graduated from UCONN.
She married Peter G. Russell in 1956 and was happily married for 57 years. In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, she was an avid golfer, winning many tournaments. She also loved a game of cards or a board game with her family. She was active in numerous charities throughout her life. Two of her favorites were shopping and preparing Christmas boxes for families on behalf of the Salvation Army, and her involvement with the Trinity Academy in Hartford, where she tutored young children. She was a long time member of the Asylum Hill Congregational Church, and along with her sister Marion, rarely missed volunteering at the annual Boars Head Festival.
Betsy loved spending summers at the family beach house on the CT shore. There, she could be found in the center of a group either blueberry picking, crabbing, fishing, or swimming. In the winter, she enjoyed going to St. Croix where she and Peter would spend a couple of quiet weeks together.
Betsy was a very caring and giving person. She was also always up for fun and established many long and lasting friendships over her lifetime. She is survived by her sister Marion Palm, four children - Laurie Title and her husband David, Morgan and his wife Jo Ann, Peter and his wife Tracy, and Ginger Emme. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren who she loved dearly. She is preceded in death by her husband Peter, her brother Jack, and her grandson Jack. Memorial service at a later date.
In lieu of flowers, contributions to one of the following organizations would be appreciated.
Send checks in memory of Elizabeth Russell to:
Trinity Academy, 120 Sigourney St. Hartford, CT 06105
Or
Hartford Foundation for Public Giving
8th Floor, 10 Columbus Blvd, CT, 06106
Https://www.hfpg.org

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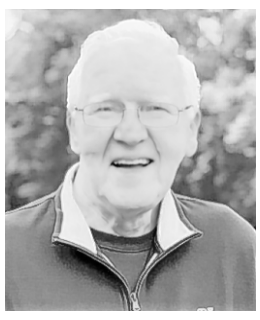
Hammick, Thomas Walter



Thomas Walter Hammick, 90, of Simsbury, beloved husband for 57 years of the late Denise (Tully) Hammick, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 9, 2022, in Simsbury. Born in Hartford on November 14, 1931, son of the late Frederick and Johanna (Almond) Hammick, he was raised in Hartford and was a graduate of St. Peter's Elementary School, Burr Junior High School, and Bulkeley High School, Class of 1950. After high school, Thomas was drafted into the US Army and served on the front lines during the Korean War. After his honorable discharge, he returned to Hartford and took a position with Koton Associates as an electrical designer and draftsman. He later moved to Donovan Associates and was asked to become a partner of the firm. It was renamed Donovan & Hammick and later Donovan, Hammick and Erlandson Associates, Inc. He served as vice president of the firm for many years and later as president until his retirement. After marrying Denise Tully in 1958, the young couple moved to Simsbury where they started a family. Thomas was an active member of the community serving as a member of the Simsbury Rotary Club and as a member of the American Legion, Post #84. His love of golf led him to join the Hopmeadow Country Club where he also served as Secretary of the Board in 1978. After his retirement and in more recent years, Thomas enjoyed spending time with the Encore Group and he was an active member of the Simsbury Senior Center. In his spare time, he enjoyed spending summer vacations with his family at Point O' Woods in Old Lyme and on Cape Cod in Massachusetts. He was an avid Boston Red Sox fan and never turned down an opportunity to play a round of golf. A devout Catholic throughout his life, Thomas was a communicant at St. Mary's Church in Simsbury for over 50 years. He leaves three children, Jeffrey T. Hammick and his wife Sherri of Granby, Janine Porter and her husband Scott of Davidson, NC, and Michele Garger and her husband Walter of Sea Girt, NJ; a brother, Joseph Hammick and his wife Judy of South Windsor; a sister-in-law, Maureen Hammick of South Windsor; six grandchildren, Kristen Hammick of Granby, Sara Hammick of West Hartford, Bradley Porter and his wife Brooke of Mooresville, NC, Kyle Porter of Baltimore, MD, Kevin Garger of NY, NY, and Samantha Garger of NY, NY. Tom also leaves behind his most precious great-granddaughter, Madison Porter whom he adored. Besides his wife and his parents, he was predeceased by two brothers, Robert and Fred Hammick; and by a daughter-in-law, Elaine M. Hammick. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated on Monday, July 25, 10:30 a.m., at St. Mary's Church, 942 Hopmeadow St., Simsbury. A private burial with Military Honors will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. There are no calling hours. Memorial donations may be made to McLean Development, Attn. Hospice, 75 Great Pond Rd., Simsbury, CT 06070 or to Sisters of Mercy Northeast, 15 Highland View Rd, Cumberland, RI 02864. Hayes-Huling & Carmon Funeral Home in Granby has care of the arrangements. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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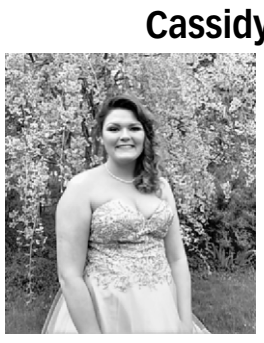
Cassidy-Ising, Ariel



Ariel Diamond-Ma'hina Cassidy-Ising, 21, of East Lyme, passed away Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at home in her own bed. She was born in Honolulu, Hawaii March 9, 2001, the night of a full moon, to David Ben Ising of Orlando, Fla., and Kristin Michele (Cassidy) Giuliano of East Lyme.
She was a graduate of East Lyme High School , Class of 2019. Ariel was an amazing soft ball player, a force of a soccer goalie, and she loved wrestling. It wasn't until she found her true calling, Mixed Martial Arts (MMA), that Ariel absolutely shone. Unfortunately, an accident took that away from her just a few years later; however, Ariel found ways to stay a happy and up-beat person. Everyone who met her just adored her. From her group of friends, the Little CHUYs, to people she met and connected with on a daily basis, everyone thought she was such a sweetheart, and they were right.
Ariel loved her family with such force, and sometimes that force led her astray, but she always found her way back. This last time she came back, things were going in such a wonderful way for her. She loved her job, and her "Uncle" Erik Klockars giving her a real chance; and that beautiful girl came home sore and tired, but smiling ear-to-ear, while she told us about her crazy day. "It was magical for me, her mother, to see such joy and hope on my baby's face."
Unfortunately, as many may or may not know, Ariel was battling demons — demons that take thousands of lives every year. We helped; we helped and supported and did the tough love, and at last, we thought we found something that worked. She was free from those demons for over six months, but somehow, her brain thought, "a little won't hurt; it's been so long." But it did hurt . . . badly, because those demons stole my baby right out from under me. I just hold on to the dozen "I love you's" and future plans we shared the night before.
"You are loved fiercely by your father, the one who named you "Smallz." He loved his baby girl in pink; and took you everywhere and anywhere he went — surfing and camping at the beach, off-road trips, or just a skateboard cruise behind Tonka. Daddy is going to miss you so much."
"Yaya will always see you as that sassy little three-year-old, running like a maniac with that curly little poof of a ponytail, taking you and Tonka to the beach or riding around in her white Mustang convertible.
As for me, mom and Joe, we have no words. We loved her, supported her and gave her every opportunity we could; everything we could. We just wanted her happy and safe and feeling loved. She was half of my heart, and now it's gone. From her baby brother Jackie, "I love you more, Sissy."
In addition to her mom and dad, she is survived by her stepfather Joseph Giuliano; her brother Jack Giuliano of East Lyme; her grandparents, Victoria and Robert Guntner of Waterford, and Paul and Profetiza Ising of Waipahu, Hawaii, Jack and Margarita Giuliano of Niantic; grandmother Karol Oakes-Cassidy of Southington; grandmother Isabelle Bouvier of Nice, France; and a half-sister, Mia; and nephews, Eli and Donovan. She was predeceased by her maternal great-grandfathers, Walter VanPut of South Windsor, and Michael James Cassidy of Southington; and her grandmother Dorothy Giuliano; and great-grandparents, Fred and Dorothy Coyle of Niantic. She is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, the Calabash family, Hawaiian family; and too many to mention. She will be terribly missed by many,
Calling hours are Tuesday, July 19, from 2 to 4 and 5 to 7 p.m. at the Thomas L. Neilan & Sons East Lyme Funeral Home, 48 Grand Street, Niantic. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to SCAAD, 62 Coit St., New London, CT 06320. Condolences may be given a www.neilanfuneralhome.com.

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Cabán, Ana Celia (Torres Chacón)

Ana Celia (Torres Chacón) Cabán, 96, of Bristol, passed away at Ingraham Manor on July 14, 2022. To view Ana's full obituary, please visit www.dupontfuneralhome.com

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Krafcik, Marie E.

Marie Elizabeth Krafcik (née Gabriel), long-time resident of Southington, Connecticut; Lake Havasu, Arizona; and Orange County, California, died January 21, 2022, at Arbor Terrace, in Dacula, Georgia. An exemplary member of the Greatest Generation, she was 102 years old, and a partner to her husband George for 47 of those years, until his passing in 1984. Preternaturally incisive, a fast-walking, coffee-loving voracious reader and Scrabble player, meticulous treasurer for her Lake Havasu community club, liberal and tolerant of others yet proudly supportive of her family, Marie raised her eight children in a way that enabled them to be their best, amidst humble circumstances for all. She directly impacted the lives of hundreds, and was an inspiration to so many who came to know her, throughout the many stages of her long and adventurous life.
Born September 28, 1919, in Albany, New York, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Wilhelmina Gabriel (née Gresens, later Cloutier). She grew up on 92 Elizabeth Street in Albany, and for three years, from August 1929 through October 1932, during the depths of the Great Depression, was benevolently cared for by the Parsons Child and Family Center, which was then known as the Albany Orphan Asylum. Marie traveled with her mother Wilhemina (Minnie) to Meriden Connecticut, graduating from high school with honors there before her 16th birthday, before meeting and then marrying her faithful husband, George Jacob Krafcik, on August 19, 1937, in Carmel, New York. They were married for 47 years, living most of those years on Oak Street in Southington, Connecticut, where they raised eight children.
Marie is survived by two daughters, Ann Eileen Porter (who also mourns the recent passing of her husband Terry) of Isle La Motte, Vermont; Kathleen Ann Lacourciere (and husband Richard) of Vero Beach, Florida and Vinalhaven, Maine; and four sons, George Michael Krafcik (who also mourns the recent passing of his wife Joanne) of Summerfield, Florida; Robert Joseph Krafcik (and his wife Joan) of Flowery Branch, Georgia; Michael Paul Krafcik (and his wife Maryette Braly) of Simsbury, Connecticut; and John Francis Krafcik (and his wife Leila Knob-Krafcik) of Austin, Texas; twelve granddaughters, twelve grandsons, dozens more great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, and her half-sister, Marilyn Paju. She was pre-deceased by her husband George (1984); her sons, both Navy veterans, Andrew Clement Krafcik (1994, who is survived by his wife Judith) and Frederick Robert Krafcik (2021); her brothers Herman and Frederick; her half-siblings Minnie, Rita and Robert; her father Frederick Gabriel; her beloved stepfather Hector (Cookie) Cloutier; and her dear mother Wilhemina (nee Gresens, Gabriel) Cloutier.
A memorial service will be held at noon Saturday, July 30, at the Church of St. Dominic at 1050 Flanders Road in Southington, Connecticut. All are welcome. Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Southington, after the memorial service. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made in her name to the Northern Rivers Family of Services, Parsons Child and Family Center, PO Box 8899, Albany, New York 12208, or via the web at NorthernRivers.org/giving.

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Turner, William Andrew

MIDDLEBURY CT - William Andrew Turner, age 31, of Middlebury, CT, died suddenly on 7/11/2022 at home.

William was born on 9/1/1990 in Waterbury, the son of William M. Turner of Vero Beach FL and Mary Beth Calo-Turner of Middlebury. He attended Haddam-Killingworth High School in Higganum, CT and was currently employed as an Assistant Manager at Nardelli's in Waterbury. His loss was completely unexpected and has shocked and deeply saddened his family and friends. He was known as Andrew to his large family, Will to his many friends (among his many other nicknames) and as a warm-hearted, kind, and loving person by all with the best bear hugs around. His tenderness towards children and animals is particularly notable as well as his unwavering support to his family and friends during any time of need or distress. Andrew had the gift of knowing how to be a constant and reliable source of assurance and comfort to those close to him while, at the same time, also managing the considerable challenges in his own life.

Andrew's continual willingness to put other's well-being before his own reflects the quality of his character and the goodness in his soul. His unfortunate and untimely departure will be felt by the many lives that he regularly touched as he was a source of positivity and joy in ways that words just cannot describe. Although he left us all too soon, Andrew lived life to the fullest, blessed by the love and togetherness of family and friends.

Andrew is survived by his father, William, and his wife, Carolyn Turner of Vero Beach, FL, his mother, Mary Beth Calo-Turner of Middlebury, CT, his older sister, Faith Cunningham of Nashville, TN, and younger sisters; Olivia Turner of Savannah, GA, Lindsey Clegg of West Hartford, CT and Carly Clegg of Atlanta, GA. His extended family includes seven uncles, five aunts, two nieces and several dozen cousins and second cousins literally stretching from coast to coast. We all miss him dearly.

Funeral services for Mr. Turner will be held privately at the convenience of his family. To honor his memory, contributions to the William A. Turner Memorial Fund c/o https://gofund.me/5e2f4e34. are greatly appreciated by his family. There is a celebration of Andrew's life being planned for September 4, 2022 at a location near his childhood home in Higganum, CT. Email andrews-life-celebration@infogrotto.com to receive celebration event information. Casey's Eastside Memorial Funeral Home and Cremation Care 1987 East Main St Waterbury CT 06705 has been honored to assist the family during this very difficult time. Loving-kindness is always welcome, and it only takes a moment to offer a message of condolence, words of comfort, or share a memory with the family and friends of someone important to you. Please do that on the funeral home tribute page at www.caseyfunerals.com.

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OBITUARIES

Barton, Thomas Francis

Thomas Francis Barton
Feb. 15, 1931 - May 20, 2022

Thomas F. Barton passed away at home in Bradenton, FL on May 20 at the age of 91.

Thomas was born in Waterbury, CT February 15, 1931. After high school Thomas entered the service in the Army, but was chosen to be a Marine. He is a Korean War veteran. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and the Korean Service Medal. After active duty Thomas served in the Marine Reserves for the next 6 years at the Naval Submarine Base New London, Groton, CT. Thomas became a Master Electrician who was famous all around for his ability to splice cable. He started and ran Nutmeg Cable Company, Nutmeg Line Constructors in CT as well as a company in New Jersey. He performed such services as electrical installation in both the Holland and Lincoln tunnels in New York as well as the first storm sirens in areas of CT. Thomas was a lifelong member and retired from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). Thomas lived out his retirement in sunny Florida with his wife, Rose, staying active and golfing every chance he got.

Thomas was preceded in death by his parents William A. Barton, Mary Lynch Barton, wife Marilyn M. Barton and son Michael James Barton. Thomas is survived by his wife of 26 years, Rosemary (Spillman) from Glastonbury, CT, sister, Teresa Barton of Bronx, NY; sister-in-law, Florence (Lollie) Barton of Prospect, CT; daughters, Mary Corey (Eddie) of Prospect, CT, Terry Barton of Florence, KY and Joan Barton Henson of Verona, KY, son Thomas A. Barton (Lori) of Naugatuck, CT; step-daughter, Linda Borreson of Amherst, MA; stepsons, Donald Krusinski (Rose) of Glastonbury, CT and Steven Kross (Dawn) of Montgomery, AL; 4 grandchildren, Jay Cooper of KY, Jonathan Barton of FL, Ronald Barton of CT, Teara Barton of KY, 3 step grandchildren, Kepa Eizaguirre-Borreson of MA, Caleb Kross of AL, Matthew Krusinki of CT as well as several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews all dearly beloved.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 11:00am at the Catholic Parish of Middlebury and Southbury, St. John of the Cross Campus, 1263 West Street, Middlebury, CT 06762. Military Honors will be accorded immediately following the Mass. Everyone attending is kindly asked to please meet directly at the church. Calling hours are Friday, July 22, 2022 from 5:00 to 8:00pm at the Buckmiller Thurston Mengacci Funeral Home, 82 Fairview Avenue, Naugatuck, CT. Members of the Naugatuck Veteran's Council will assemble at the funeral home Friday at 6:00pm. To leave an online condolence, please visit www.buckmillerthurstonmengacci.com.

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Ruff, John

John M. Ruff, 87, of Niantic and Manchester, beloved husband of the late Agatha (Gerry) FitzPatrick Ruff, passed away with his family by his side on July 14, 2022 at his home. He was born on May 18, 1935 in Glastonbury CT, son of the late Martin and Elsie (Schwarm) Ruff.

John grew up on the family farm in Glastonbury with his father, grandparents, aunts Bertha and Lucy Schwarm and uncle Ernest Schwarm. He attended school in Addison and graduated from Glastonbury High School. He then served in the U.S. Army from 1954-1957 as a helicopter engine mechanic in Fairbanks, Alaska.

John was married in 1957 to the love of his life. He and Gerry enjoyed 57 years together before her passing in 2014. They raised their four daughters in Manchester and together with the family, traveled to Ireland, Europe and the Caribbean. He enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing, golf, and collecting antiques.

John spent 39 years with Pratt & Whitney and after retirement, began spending winters in the Florida condo and summers in the Niantic home, eventually moving back to Niantic permanently.

John leaves his daughters, Gerrianne and Roger Celinski of Naples, Florida, Laurie and Sean Dyer of Manchester, Tracy Fitz Patrick of Arcata, California and Kelly Carvalho of Shelton; his grandchildren, Leigh and Andrew Lessard of Glastonbury, Katie and Justin Wilson of Tolland, Andrew and Heather Celinski of Portland, Angel FitzPatrick of Waterbury, Melissa Purcell of Manchester and Paul and Marisa Purcell of Manchester; and his great-grandchildren, Ellie, Natalie and Drew Lessard, Emma, Evan and Ethan Wilson, Calvin and Wyatt Celinski, Marilyn Spence, and Landon and Eleonora Purcell. He is also survived by his brother-in-law Brian Fitzpatrick and wife Linda of Montpelier, Vermont, his cousin Linda Schwarm of Morrisville, Vermont as well as other extended family. He will also be missed by his neighbors, who he enjoyed and appreciated so much over the years.

Family and friends may call at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 West Center St. Manchester on Wednesday, July 20, 2022 from 5-8 p.m. Burial will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of donor's choice. For online condolences please visit www.tierneyfuneralhome.com.

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Sweedock, Carol

Carol Sweedock, 75, of West Hartford, CT, passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at Hughes Nursing Home in West Hartford, CT. Shew was born in Meriden, CT, October 18, 1946, daughter of the late Robert and Shirley Sujdak.
Carol worked as a computer programmer for the State of Connecticut for many years until her retirement.
Carol is survived by her partner of 35 years, Antres Buford of West Hartford, CT, and her sister Marie Lutkus of Cheshire, CT, two nephews and other relatives and numerous friends.
Following Carol's wishes, she will be cremated, and interment will be at the convenience of the family. Cards of condolences can be mailed to 111 Shelden Hill Drive, West Hartford, CT 06107

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Haaser, Margaret Gardner

Margaret G. Haaser, 93 years, devoted wife and mother, passed away on Sunday, July 10, 2022, at Independence Village in Plymouth, MI. She was born to Frederic Stowe and Lillian Crane Gardner on September 15, 1928, in Chicago, IL, where she grew up and attended school. From 1946 to 1949, she attended St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, IN, where she met her future husband and World War II veteran, Walter Bray Haaser of Wethersfield, CT, who graduated from the University of Notre Dame.

Married in 1949, Margaret was a strong, supportive and equal partner to her husband and his Air Force career that took them on assignments to locations in Indiana, Oklahoma, France, Pennsylvania, Ohio and finally Washington, D.C., where Walter completed his military service in 1969. She gave birth to Anne, their first child, in 1950 while Walter was serving overseas in Okinawa during the Korean War. While living in the Washington, D.C. area, Margaret finished her college education, earning a Bachelor's degree in education at Bowie State University.

After the Air Force, she and Walter moved the family to Simsbury, CT where Walter began a second career in aviation engineering. Simsbury became their first permanent home where they happily put down deep roots after their many years of military service. They routinely enjoyed playing bridge, vacationing internationally with retired military friends, visiting with their children and sponsoring biannual Haaser Family Reunions around the country.

She was a member of St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in West Simsbury where she sang in the church choir for many years. Margaret and Walter raised five children; Anne O'Karma (Daniel) of Canton, MI, Frederic Haaser (Diana – deceased) of Montgomery, OH, Charles Haaser (Ann) of Newburyport, MA, Dr. Richard Haaser (Karen) of Bristol, TN, and Andrew Haaser (Diane) of Cambria, CA. Walter pre-deceased Margaret in 2015, upon which she relocated to Plymouth, MI to be near her daughter Anne.

In addition to her children, she leaves 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. In 2019, she lost her oldest grandchild, Michael, whom she loved and missed dearly. Margaret's grandchildren have wonderful memories of holiday and reunion gatherings with her, including playing raucous board games where they learned to keep a watchful eye on their grandmother's disregard for the rules.

Private Services arranged by Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home of Plymouth, MI.

Online condolences may be made to the Tribute wall at vermeulenfh.com

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Keating, James D.

James D. Keating, 80 years old, of Old Saybrook, Connecticut passed away on July 11, 2022. Jim was born in Hartford, Connecticut to Adrian F. Keating and Margaret (Maroney) Keating on August 01, 1941. He graduated from Saint Augustine Elementary School (1955) and Morgan G. Bulkeley High School (1959) in Hartford, Connecticut. Jim married Salvatrice (Farinella) Keating on June 15, 1963, in Hartford, Connecticut. He graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1963 with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering degree. In 1965, he graduated from the University of Connecticut in Storrs with a Master of Business Administration degree. In 1963, Jim was hired as an engineer by the Norden Company. After one year, Jim took a leave of absence to pursue his MBA. In 1965, Jim was hired by International Business Machines (IBM) as a Sales Executive. He worked for IBM for forty-four years. For many years, Jim served as a volunteer in several Old Saybrook organizations. These include the Old Saybrook Economic Development Commission, Moderator of the District 1 Polling Location for local and national elections and serving lunch for the Old Saybrook Soup Kitchen in Centerbrook. Jim was predeceased by his parents, Adrian and Margaret Keating, his grandparents, Daniel and Margaret Keating, James and Johanna Maroney and several aunts, uncles, and cousins. Jim is survived by his wife, Sally, daughters Meg Kolb (John) of Old Lyme, CT, Michele Vecchitto (Mark) of Niantic, CT, Melissa Molnar (Mark) of Hazleton, PA, and Maureen Leach (Carl) of East Haddam, CT; brothers William Keating (Carol) of Hampton, NH and Adrian F. Keating, Jr. (Deborah Ellis) of West Hartford, CT; brother-in-law Salvatore T. Farinella (Judith); former son-in-law Daniel Messina; grandchildren Sean, Emma, James, and Maeve Kolb; Alison, Mary-Kate and Jack Messina; Maryellen, Colleen, Sarah, and Ryan Molnar; Jacob, Joseph, Logan, and Robert Leach; and many cousins, and lifelong friends.
Final viewing will be from 6PM-8PM on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at the Swan Funeral Home, 1224 Boston Post Road, Old Saybrook, CT (located across from Old Saybrook High School). A funeral mass will be concelebrated by Father Greg (Grzegorz) Brozonowicz and Father Joe (Joseph) Ashe at 10AM on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at Saint John Roman Catholic Church, 161 Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT. Burial will follow at Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery, 1 Cottage Grove Rd, Bloomfield, CT. Arrangements are by the Swan Funeral Home in Old Saybrook, CT. Memorials may be given to the Smilow Cancer Center, Waterford, CT, Saint John School, Old Saybrook, CT, Saint John and Saint Mark Food Pantry, Westbrook, CT, or Old Saybrook Food Pantry, Old Saybrook, CT. The family of James D. Keating wishes to extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to Father Joseph Ashe, Ms. Tara Lepro, RN, Dr. Joseph Brito, Dr. Jason Haldas, Dr. Richard Frink, Dr. David Gallo, Mr. Alex Gonzalez, PA, and Mr. Michael Allegrini, PA.

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Lasker, Brian M

Brian Matthew Lasker, 37, of West Hartford took his life on July 3, 2022. Born July 22, 1984, he was the son of Cheryl Kanter Lasker of West Hartford and Richard (Bonnie) Lasker of Bloomfield. Brian earned his BA in Criminal Justice from Mitchell College. He was employed by Allied Universal Security. Brian was a sincere, loving person who cared deeply about his friends and family, and was always willing to help anyone in need. In addition to his parents, Brian is survived by his daughter, Sophia Lasker of Waterbury; his brothers, Joshua Lasker of West Hartford and Jeffrey (Jennifer) Lasker of Simsbury; nieces Spencer and Zoey Lasker of Simsbury; aunt Elaine (Burton) Gold of New London; and uncle Bruce Kanter of Bloomfield. He is interred at Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Memorial contributions may be made to 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, https://988lifeline.org/donate or the charity of donor's choice. Brian will be deeply missed.

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Bancroft, Richard

Richard H. Bancroft, 77, of East Granby, beloved husband for 60 years of Barbara (Johnson) Bancroft, passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 3, 2022.
Richard was born in Bridgeport, son of the late Herbert Bancroft and Mary (Butch) Lemieux, and attended Windsor High School. He enlisted in the United States Navy after high school and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War as a Radio Man stationed in Rota, Spain. After the war, Richard was employed with Pratt & Whitney Aircraft for over 18 years, working on the electrical components of engines, while also working at First National Grocery Stores. He then worked for Ensign-Bickford for several years before joining the United States Postal Service, as a Building Maintenance and HVAC technician, retiring after 34 years of service.
Richard was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He will fondly be remembered as a hard-working man who loved and cared for his family deeply. He was his granddaughters' biggest fan and he was very proud of all their accomplishments. Richard had a special place in his heart for animals; always having several in his home, most recently his cats, Stormy and Stormy's brother, Windy, who is in heaven waiting for him.
Richard was a "Jack of all Trades" and was always there to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it. He was the type of man who would give you the shirt off his back and ask for nothing in return. Richard could fix just about anything and loved spending his time repairing old cars in his yard. He was a great friend and teacher to many.
Richard's favorite holiday was Christmas, and he loved hunting for the biggest and most perfect Christmas tree for his family. Later in life, Richard had a big vegetable garden in his back yard and would share whatever he grew with his co-workers, friends, and neighbors. Richard loved to read, especially Westerns and Military Adventure books, and absolutely loved to watch football, whether it was high school, college, or professional. He was also a big fan of NASCAR.
In addition to his wife, who will miss him deeply, Richard is survived by his daughter, Bonnie Trimble-Cushman of Manchester; his granddaughters, April Trimble and Brittany Cushman; his siblings, Kathleen Keener, Carol Bancroft, and Alfred Michael Lemieux; and other relatives and friends, especially his best friend Rex Mark.
Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his maternal grandmother, Edna Butch; his sister, Patricia Fortin; and his brother, Carl Bancroft.
His family will receive friends on Saturday, July 23 from 3-4 p.m., with a Celebration of Life at 4 p.m., at Carmon Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor.
Donations in memory of Richard may be made to the CT Humane Society or the American Cancer Society.
To leave a condolence for his family, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Sperry, Kevin Lee

Kevin Lee Sperry, 65, of East Granby, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, July 8, 2022, at his home. Born in Hartford on September 26, 1956, son of the late Frederick Beecher Ward Sperry Sr. and Juliette (Cote) Sperry, he was raised in Hartford and attended Hartford Public Schools. At the age of 15, he went to work for Stanley P. Rockwell Heat Treating and stayed with the company for the next 48 years. After Stanley P. Rockwell moved to Bristol and changed their name to Bristol Heat Treat, he continued with the company and mentored another young worker, Mike, as he started his career. Kevin's passions outside of work were his family, his Harley-Davidson Motorcycle, fishing, and his friends. After retiring four months ago, Kevin bought a new Harley and had just started customizing it. He planned to head to Sturgis next month. He loved working on his bike. He was the best transmission guy in CT and could help anyone with maintaining and personalizing their motorcycles. He loved fishing on First Connecticut Lake and Lake Francis in Pittsburgh, NH. He also headed to Lake Winnipesaukee every weekend he could. He always had his boat ready each season and looked forward to his many fishing adventures with his nephew Travis Robinson "Yomo" who was like a son to him. Kevin had a special relationship with Travis. Most of all, Kevin was the consummate family man and friend. He loved taking Saturday motorcycle rides with his friends or heading to Laconia or Maine riding. He was always attending all of his granddaughter's sporting events and activities. He leaves two loving daughters, Tori Lee Sperry and her wife Jeanne Breton of Chicopee, MA, and Devin Lynn Savelli and her husband Hank of Windsor Locks; his three granddaughters that were his pride and joy, Trinity Marie Sperry "Trin" of Chicopee, MA, and Hailey Lynn Savelli "Hail" and Alexis Mary Savelli "spider monkey" both of Windsor Locks; a brother, Frederick Sperry, Jr. of Granby; two sisters, Laurie Sperry of Unionville and Roxanne Goulet and her husband Michael of Lewiston, ME, several nieces and nephews, Travis Robinson and his wife Jody of Unionville, Jason Goulet and his wife Kim of Turner Me, Jaime Sperry of Windsor, Sierra Robinson of Unionville, Ricky Sperry of Windsor, Casey Sperry of Suffield, and Nichole Reigins of Manchester along with many great nieces and nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles, and Godsons. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Roger Michael Sperry. His family will receive friends on Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. with a service following at the Carmon Windsor Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 4217 Park Place Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060 or to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1133 15th Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Megargee, Thomas "Weasel" C.

December 20, 1955 - January 24, 2022 Thomas C. Megargee "Weasel" Tom lived many years in Glastonbury, CT; graduating from Glastonbury High School, before moving to Madison, CT where he enjoyed the simple things in life. Most of his time spent fishing, enjoying nature and caring for his mother. Tom was predeceased by his parents, Thomas E. Megargee and Theresa M. Megargee of Madison, CT. He leaves behind, his son and grandson Dylan and Jackson Megargee of Columbia, CT; sister, Pamela Scudieri and husband Michael of Glastonbury, CT; brothers Michael L. Megargee and wife Mary of Madison, CT ; Robert L. Megargee and husband Jonathan Possidente of Los Angeles, CA. along with his nieces and many life-long friends.

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O'Hanlon, Mary D.

Mary D. O'Hanlon, 87, passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 14, 2022 in Windsor, CT surrounded by her devoted family. She was born in County Derry, Northern Ireland on June 24, 1935 to the late John and Alice Doherty. She was a graduate of Musgrave Park Hospital Nursing School in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She was a very compassionate and energetic nurse throughout her career and worked in Ireland, Scotland, New York and Massachusetts. She retired from her nursing career in 2005 and her last position was at Springfield VA Clinic. She met Michael, her beloved husband-to-be, at an Irish dance in New York. Mary & Michael shared much in common including their deep devotion to their faith and occupations as Registered Nurses. Mary & Michael were both very generous and caring. They married August 20, 1966 at St. Brendan's Church, Bronx, NY. Mary & Michael treasured each other dearly for 37 years of marriage. Mary enjoyed several years at Providence Place in Holyoke, MA before coming to live at her daughter and son in-law's home in Windsor, CT April 2020. Mary was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Mary leaves her loving children Anne Marie Bresnahan and her husband Steven of Windsor, CT, Michael O'Hanlon and his wife Annette of Sleepy Hollow, NY and Patrick O'Hanlon and his wife Renee of Yonkers, NY. Mary was most proud of her cherished grandchildren: Michael, Ella, Caitlyn, Meghan and Eva. She also leaves many dear nieces, nephews and close friends. Mary was predeceased by her beloved husband Michael, and her dear brothers John, Felix, Hugh and Charlie.
Services will take place at St. Patrick's Church, 30 Main Street, South Hadley, MA on Tuesday, July 19, 2022. She will be waked from 10:00AM to 10:45AM at the church. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11:00AM. Burial will follow at St. Rose de Lima Cemetery, Olsen Street, Chicopee, MA.
Memorial donations may be made in her memory to support Kate's Kitchen at https://www.provministries.org/give/

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1. Google/Search YouTube
2. Once on YouTube site, type "St. Patrick's South Hadley" in the search box.
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Parent, Laurie (Malchow)

Laurie (Malchow) Parent 57 of Manchester Ct went home to be the Lord Jesus on July 13th, 2022. Laurie has a loving and caring heart and delighted in spending time at the beach. She was born January 13, 1965, in Hartford Ct to Esther Jane Malchow and Meredith E Malchow. She is survived by her son Justin Parent of North Carolina, her two brothers Richard Malchow of Ashford Ct, David Malchow of East Long Meadow Ma and her four sisters Kathleen McIntosh of Stafford Springs Ct, Doreen Young of Cooperstown NY, Vicki Piazza of Tolland Ct, and Susan Trehy of Tolland Ct. Burial services will be private.

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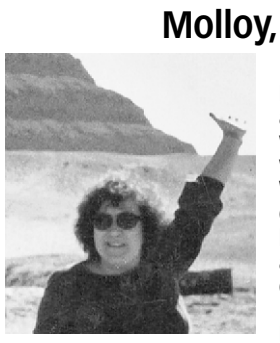
Molloy, Elizabeth



Elizabeth "Betty" Molloy Elizabeth, 99, passed away at home on July 10, 2022 with family by her side. She was a resident of Newington, Wapping/South Windsor for over 65 years. Elizabeth was born in Hartford and graduated from Hartford High. She enlisted in the Navy Dec 7th 1943 and boot camped at Hunter College in New York then to Bethesda Maryland as a pharmacist mate. She transferred to Vallejo, Mare Island and eventually to Alameda Naval Air Station in California. As a WAVE, Elizabeth also worked in the Low-Pressure chamber training the pilots and air service personnel about the hazards of high-altitude flight. After being honorably discharged in 1946, WWII veteran, Elizabeth studied at the University of Connecticut and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in business. Elizabeth also completed a University of Vermont's 1949 foreign study program at Burlington studying "The Marshall Plan in action". Under the auspices of the University of Vermont she studied at the University of Birmingham England, University of Leyden Holland and five other European Universities. Later in life she traveled to Egypt three times to study the pyramids, view astrological alignment in the Arizona sky and traveled across the US many times. Betty utilized her business education to initially work at the United Aircraft Export Corp., although her favorite job was at the Coachlight Dinner Theatre. Betty remained dear friends with producer, Manager, Janis Belkin of Massachusetts. Betty was avid in solving crossword and cryptograms, she knitted fantastic sweaters and beautiful dresses. Betty was an adventurer, a very good listener, a wise person and generous. Betty met her husband Thomas while they were both at UConn. They initially lived in Hartford until the 1955 flood and then relocated to Wapping/South Windsor where they raised their daughters. Betty was predeceased by her husband Thomas Joseph Molloy Jr. and is survived by her daughters: Kathryn Molloy Lawler of AZ, Mary Molloy of CT, Margaret Molloy of CA. Also, her nieces and nephews: Charlie, Martha, Bill, Linda from the Rodgers family in CT and Mass.
Elizabeth was a member of "The women of Sea Service-Connecticut Yankees, Unit # 42", and a charter member of "The WAVES national". In 2008 she received from the Governor of CT the Connecticut Veterans Service Medal also a certificate of appreciation for her service in the US NAVY. Elizabeth enjoyed the compassion, conversations and laughter with her many friends and nurses. The Molloy funeral home is in charge of arrangements which are private. In lieu of flowers: buy a bottle of champagne and make a toast to remember those who are in the service, those who have served and to those who served from the "Greatest Generation".

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Ritson, James "Jim" Lambert

James "Jim" Lambert Ritson, age 87, of Bloomfield, beloved husband of sixty-five years to Joanne (Jacobs) passed away peacefully on July 15, 2022, at St. Francis Hospital, surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Hartford, on March 25, 1935; a son of the late Merritt and Jane (Gallagher) Ritson.

Jim was a graduate of Bloomfield High School class of 1953. After graduating he enlisted in the United States Army and served as a Sergeant during the Korean War. He returned from overseas and married his high school sweetheart Joanne, on June 15, 1957. Jim continued his education at the Moody School of Commerce and then went on to work for Metropolitan Petroleum. He left the corporate business world to start his own local business the Bloomfield Coin-Op Cleaners.

Jim was an avid hunter and fisherman and was a member of the Bloomfield Fish and Game Club where he was one of the oldest active members and a Past President. He was also a member of the Elks Lodge 19, VFW Post 1009, and a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. Jim was very active in training and raising bird hunting dogs. He enjoyed spending time with his family at his home in Vermont and the "Camp" on the Farmington River. Jim also spent time snowmobiling in Vermont and was an avid motocross and race car fan.

Jim is survived by his wife, Joanne J. Ritson; three children, Michael Bartlett Ritson and his wife Anne Colby of Weatogue, CT, Victoria Lyon and her husband Richard of West Simsbury, CT and Merritt Bartlett, II and his wife Lisa (Heesemann) of East Granby, CT; three cherished grandchildren, Stephen Ritson, Jessica Lyon, and Emma Colby Ritson; and three great-grandchildren, Lucas, Isabella, and Sophia. He was predeceased by his sisters, Evva Benson and Sally Yuska.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, July 20, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Carmon Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, July 21, at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 26 Wintonbury Ave., Bloomfield. Burial with military honors will take place in the Mountain View Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations in Jim's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For online expressions of sympathy please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Picard, Dennis A.

Dennis A. Picard, 73, of East Windsor and formerly of East Hartford, peacefully passed away on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at Hartford Hospital. Born in Hartford on February 25, 1949, a son of the late Alcide and Irene (Beaudet) Picard, he was a resident of the East Hartford area for most of his life. Dennis worked for 43 years in the shipping and receiving department at Chandler-Evans Manufacturing, Inc., West Hartford. He enjoyed watching western/cowboy shows and movies, professional wrestling, and going to area casinos. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by three brothers, David, Richard, and Stephen Picard; and his sister, Lorraine Salkauskas. He is survived by several nieces, nephews, dear friends, and former co-workers.
A graveside service will be Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 1:30 pm at Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery, (Section W), Bloomfield. There are no calling hours. The D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford has been entrusted with the care of the funeral arrangements. For on-line expressions of sympathy please visit www.desopoeh.cm.

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Wagner, George E.

George E. Wagner, 90, of Plantsville, passed away on July 14, 2022 at the HOCC in New Britain surrounded by his family. He had been the loving husband of Cynthia (Giguere) Wagner for 69 years. George was born in Forestville, CT on May 8, 1932 to the late Edward and Frances (Brackett) Wagner. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. George retired from Eastern Plastics, where he worked as a computer programmer for many years. George loved his shopping outings with his wife Cynthia. The day after Christmas they would begin their search for the perfect presents. Their shopping excursions were like a hobby and lasted throughout the year. He enjoyed all sports and was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox, New York Giants, UConn Women's Basketball and car racer, Joey Lagano. George also had passion for cars, especially his 1967 Cadillac Coup Deville. He was known for having a garage that was tastefully decorated with pictures and memorabilia that highlighted his love of cars and sports. He will be remembered as a hard worker, a man of his word, a trusted friend and a loving husband, father and grandfather. In addition to his wife Cynthia, George is survived by his son, Russell Wagner and his wife Susan of Glastonbury and 2 daughters, Nancy Maigarie and her husband Stanley of Southington and Darlene Dudac and her husband Charles of Plantsville and 6 grandchildren, Kendra Pheasant (Jason), Andrew Maigarie (Natalie), Justin and Jason Wagner, Lauren Sandagata (Joseph) and Nicholas Cermola and 7 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Arlene Smith of FL and many nieces and nephews. George was predeceased by 2 sisters, Elizabeth Pawlak and Margaret Piazza. In lieu of flowers, donations in George's memory may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516 (https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/). Calling hours will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at the Plantsville Funeral Home, 975 S. Main St. Plantsville. Military honors will immediately follow at the funeral home. For online condolences and directions, please visit www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com.

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Hobson, Andrew "Drew"

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Friday, July 22nd at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 265 Stratton Brook Road in West Simsbury. Please visit Drew's Book of Memories at www.vincent-funeralhomel.com for full obituary and tributes.

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Grochal, Marcin A.

Marcin A. Grochal, 43, Berlin, beloved husband of Katie (Wojtak) Grochal and father to Matthew and Isabella, suddenly passed away peacefully in his sleep on July 12, 2022.

Marcin was born in Warsaw, Poland on July 31, 1978 to Marian and Barbara (Wielemborek) Grochal of New Britain. Marcin had a wonderful childhood, enjoying soccer and other activities with his younger brother Jarek. He came with his family to America in search of a better life in 1994 at the age of 16. He graduated from Mary Immaculate Academy in 1998 and earned a degree in economics and finance from CCSU, and was a member of St. Paul Church, Kensington. It was there that he met his wife Katie, and began the most joyous time in his life that brought with it two amazing kids who stole his heart. With them, he loved walking, spending time at the beach, enjoying a good meal and photographing their adventures.

He is survived by his wife Katie, his two children Matthew and Isabella, his brother Jarek Grochal and his wife Carollynn Goldenberg, his parents Marian and Barbara, his mother-in-law Theresa and his brother-in-law Artur and his wife Magdalena, and their children, Michael and Maya who will all miss him dearly. Marcin was predeceased by his father-in-law Wojciech Wojtak.

Family and friends are invited to gather for visitation at Duksa Burritt Hill Funeral Home, 332 Burritt Street, New Britain Tuesday July 19th from 9:00–10:45 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. at St. Paul's Church, 461 Alling Street, Berlin. He will be lovingly laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery, New Britain. To share a memory with Marcin's family, please visit us at www.burritthill.com.

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Thrall, Jonathan Clark

Jonathan Clark Thrall, 67, passed away in his home on June 19, 2022. Born in Connecticut to Ruth and Howard Thrall, he was also preceded in death by two brothers, David and Mark Thrall.
Jonathan retired from the US Airforce as a Senior Master Sergeant after 30 years of service. After retirement from the military, he spent 5 years in civil service, working as an IT Security Analyst. For the last two years, he worked as the Team Leader Security Engineer for General Dynamics IT. He was an adjunct professor for multiple colleges, sharing his knowledge of IT Security.
A true lover of warm weather and the Florida sunshine, Jonathan loved swimming in the ocean. He was passionate about music, amassing a vinyl record and CD collection. He played both piano and guitar, composing his own music. He attended concerts every chance he got. Jonathan was an avid science fiction fan, a chess player, and enjoyed traveling.
For as much as he loved all of these things, his family was the most important of all. He was quick to share stories and show pride in his children and grandchildren at every opportunity. Though his family lived all over, he made a point to stay in touch with everyone, even his extended family members.
Left to cherish Jonathan's memory: his wife of 10 years, Kathy Thrall; three daughters, Marianne Abrahams (Richard), Jessica Thrall (Rafi), and Heather Rambo (Austin); grandchildren, Sadie and Millie Abrahams, Lucas Rambo, and an anticipated newborn baby girl; brothers, Timothy, Peter, and Kit Thrall; sister, Susie Berriman; step-daughter, Katherine Brown; a large extended family on both the Davis and Thrall sides of the family.
Jonathan will be inurned in his family plot in Elm Grove Cemetery in Windsor, Connecticut, at 11am on Friday, July 22, 2022. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation at https://dystonia-foundation.org/ or The Wounded Warrior Project athttps://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/. Condolences may be offered to the family at:
www.hollomon-brown.com

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Silva, Agostinho

Agostinho Magalhaes Pereira da Silva, 85, of South Windsor husband of the late Maria de Lourdes Carreira Silva passed away on Saturday, July 9, 2022 in Portugal. Born in Relva, Casto Daire Portugal, he came to the Hartford area over 60 years ago. Prior to his retirement he was employed at Stanadyne in Windsor. He was a member of Our Lady of Fatima Church in Hartford. Agostinho is survived by a son and daughter-in-law Humberto and Daniela Silva of South Windsor. A brother and sister-in law Inocencio and Maria do Carmo Silva of Hartford, two sisters Maria Augusta Silva and her husband Jose Ferreira, Laurentina Silva and her husband Jose Silva of Hartford, and three grandsons Stephen, Kevin and Michael Silva. Besides his wife, Agostinho was pre-deceased by a sister and brother Maria de Lourdes Ferreira and Antonio Ferreira. Funeral procession will be Tuesday, (July 19), 10:30 am from the Sheehan Hilborn Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Ave., West Hartford, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, 11:00 am at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Hartford. Entombment will follow in the Mausoleum at Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford. Calling hours will be Tuesday (July 19) from 9:00 -10:30 am. at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com

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Bilts, Cynthia A. (Poit)

Cynthia A. Bilts, 74, of Granby, beloved wife of the late John R. Bilts II, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at St. Francis Hospital. Born in Torrington on July 19, 1947, daughter of the late Howard E. and Irene M. (Soja) Poit, she was raised in the Tariffville section of Simsbury and was a graduate of Simsbury High School, Class of 1965. Cynthia worked as a bookkeeper in the automobile industry for most of her career spending many years at Wagner Ford in Simsbury and O'Neill Chevrolet in Avon. She leaves her brother, Howard R. Poit and his wife Mary B. of West Suffield; three nephews, Bryan Teixeira-Poit and his wife Stephanie of Apex, NC, Robert Poit of West Suffield, and Christopher Poit and his fiancé Linda Tran of West Hartford; and two great-nephews, Benjamin and Christian Teixeira-Poit both of Apex, NC. Burial will be private in Granby Cemetery. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Buckingham, Jr., Harold Canute

There will be a memorial service for Harold Canute Buckingham, Jr. at Center Church, 675 Main Street, Hartford (across from the Wadsworth Atheneum) at 11 AM on Saturday, July 23, 2022. Harold died on June 5, 2022 at the age of 91. Complimentary parking will be available in the Gold Building Parking Garage, 55 Pearl Street, 2 blocks from the church. Carpooling and early arrival are suggested.

The service will be live-streamed on Facebook and the link, with directions, may be found on the Sheehan-Hilborn-Breen Funeral Home website at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com under Harold's obituary.

For those wishing to greet the family, calling hours will be held at Sheehan-Hilborn-Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Ave. West Hartford on Thursday (July 21) from 6 PM to 8 PM and Friday (July 22) from 2 PM to 4 PM.

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Cabral , Donna Lee Welch

Donna Lee (Welch) Cabral, 63 of North Granby, beloved wife of Frederick M. Cabral, passed away on June 24, 2022, at St. Francis Hospital after a brief illness. Born in Hartford on December 29, 1958, the daughter of the late Earl and Alberta (Collins) Welch. She is survived by her husband, Frederick M. Cabral of North Granby, her son, Jason E. Cabral of North Granby, her daughter, Kelly Lynn Berry and her husband Tim of East Hartland, her grandchildren, Olivia Cabral-Tien, Piper Cabral and Colton Cabral, her brothers, Joseph Welch and his wife Ellen of Windsor Locks, Gary Welch and his wife Linda of South Windsor and Larry Welch and his wife Judy of Windsor Locks, her sister, Wanda Welch of Windsor Locks. Donna Lee's family will receive friends on Friday July 22, 2022 from 4-7PM at the Hayes-Huling & Carmon Funeral Home, 364 Salmon Brook Street, Granby, CT 06035. For condolences, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Cutler, John A (Allinson)

John passed suddenly on July 4, 2022. He is survived by his wife Kim Natovitz Cutler and his children Molly, Steven, Lindsey and Sam. John was born in Connecticut and moved to the Washington DC area after graduating from the University of Connecticut. He was a CPA and a founding partner of Beers & Cutler and later became a senior advisor with Chevy Chase Trust Company. John loved his friends and family and they loved him back in return. He was a generous and kind person through out his life and a great lover of sports. His favorite baseball team was the Boston Red Sox and whatever team his son Sam was playing on at the time. His favorite basketball team were the men and women UConn Huskies and whatever team his daughter Lindsey was playing on at the time. Earlier in life , he coached his daughter Molly's soccer team and enjoyed traveling to see her games when she played for Emory University. When his oldest son Steven swam "doubles" in high school he was up and out of the house at the crack of dawn. He will be missed by his children as well as his sister Judy (Neal) Fresk, his niece Lauren(Mark)Herring, his nephew David (Cyndi) Fresk and their children, his sister in law Jodi Natovitz and her partner Phil Morici as well as his father in law Ben Natovitz and his partner Susan Bloom. He will also be dearly missed by his beloved dogs, Margo and Anna. There was a celebration of life held on July 7 in Chevy Chase. Donations in his name made be made to the University of Connecticut Business School.

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Francis, Maxine E.

Maxine E. Francis, age 69, passed away peacefully surrounded by family and friends on Monday, July 11, 2022, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital in New London, CT. She was born April 4, 1953, in Hartford, CT to the late Adele Murray and Morris Yousman. Maxine was a graduate of Thomas Snell Weaver High School. Maxine was employed with The Travelers Insurance Company and retired after 50 years of dedicated service. She married the man of her dreams Robert Francis and they became parents of one loving and cherished son Travis. Maxine is survived by her husband Robert, son Travis and daughter in love Tierra, sisters Illona Dubaldo, Debra Roman, (Carmelo), brothers Myron Yousman, (Jennifer), William Yousman (Lori), sister in love Jane Yousman, and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

The Homegoing Celebration will be held Tuesday, July 19, at Manchester Church of Christ, 595 Tolland Tpke, Manchester, CT. Wake at 10 am. Services at 11 am. Burial at Mount St. Benedict Bloomfield, CT.

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Antiuk, Rose (Milano)

Rose Milano Antiuk, of Simsbury, CT, born October 26, 1926, died Sunday, July 10, 2022 surrounded by her family. She is preceded in death by her spouse, Martin Antiuk. She leaves two daughter, Roben Antiuk of Broad Brook, CT and Marcy Antiuk and son-in-law Harold Robertson of Houston, TX and her niece, Gayle Milano Gemetro and family. She had a close relationship with her neighbors, friends and David Collins and had enjoyed get togethers with them.

Rose grew up in Winsted, CT and graduated from the Gilbert High School. She worked for Connecticut Light and Power as a secretary and was a legal secretary for Attorney Manchester in Winsted. She enjoyed traveling, baking, home decorating and flower gardening.

There are no calling hours. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, August 17th at the Church of Saint Ann, 289 Arch Road in Avon, CT. Private burial will be in the State of Connecticut State Veterans' Cemetery in Middletown, CT. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to McLean, 75 Great Pond Road, Simsbury, CT 06070. The Vincent Funeral Home of Simsbury is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Rose's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Gustafson, Jr., Bertil F.

Bertil F. Gustafson, Jr., 92, of Rocky Hill, CT passed away Thursday, July 14, 2022 at Apple Rehab. Bert was born in Hartford, CT and was the son of the late Bertil and Doris (Nelson) Gustafson. He served his country honorably in the U.S. Army. He was the proud owner of "Gustafson Paper Hanging" for over 50 years.

Bert is survived by his two sisters, Joyce Finnegan and her husband Joseph of Rocky Hill, CT, and Donna Miller of Cromwell, CT and many nieces and nephews. Bert was predeceased by his wife Barbara (Grove) Gustafson and his brother Raymond Gustafson.

A Funeral Service for Bert will be held Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. at the Dillon-Baxter Funeral Home, 1276 Berlin Turnpike, Wethersfield, CT. Burial will follow with full military honors in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Relatives and friends may call at the Dillon-Baxter Funeral Home, Wednesday, prior to the service, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Newington Humane Society: 701 Russell Rd. Newington, CT 06111 or https://cthumane.org/?form=chswebsite To extend condolences to the Gustafson family or to share a memory of Bert, please visit www.dillonbaxter.com

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Kurdys, Christine

1943 to 2022

Christine Kurdys, 79, passed into the next life in June, 2022. Christine was born May 29, 1943 in Chicago, Illinois to Al and Genevieve Kurdys, both deceased.

Christine majored in French and went on to teach French and English at Coventry High School, from September, 1968 through June, 1996, when she retired. Over the years, Christine also traveled to Italy and Greece to study Italian and Greek , and encouraged her students to enjoy a world view of culture and language. She was the master of creativity and humor in the classroom. Beyond teaching, Christine was the Senior Yearbook advisor and participated in theater, creating sets and props for more than twelve drama productions. Over the years, she organized student exchanges with multiple schools within France and encouraged her students "to speak French like a native". She, herself, was many times taken as a native speaker when traveling in France.

Blessed with curiosity, Christine was an avid reader, read broadly and devoured the Sunday New York Times cover to cover every week. She also loved cats and provided a home for as many as five at a time; her most beloved were Fellini and Luna.

Christine will be remembered by hundreds of students who valued her classroom gifts and who, to this day, write about her with admiration and love. She is survived by and will be warmly remembered by her cousins: Arlene, Arnold, Roger, Edward, Conrad and Adrienne and by close friends Regina, Peter, Kristina and Mara. An opportunity to share memories of Christine will be shortly announced via the Facebook site of Mara Kornfeld .

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Krikorian, Jacob "Jack"

Jacob "Jack" Krikorian, 88, of West Hartford, beloved husband of the late Rose Mary Krikorian, son of the late Jack and Mary Krikorian, passed away peacefully on July 13, 2022 at The Reservoir in West Hartford. Jack is survived by his son, Alex and his wife Andrea; grandchildren, Calvin and Max; sister Mary Weiser; and numerous nieces and nephews. Besides his parents and wife Rose Mary, Jack was predeceased by his sisters and brother, Bertha Meyers, Sophie Lachin, Susan Sabonjian and Michael Krikorian.

Jack graduated from Braddock High School in Braddock, PA and then graduated from the University of Pittsburgh. He served in the U.S. Army and then was employed by Stanley Works from 1969 until his retirement. He was a long-time member of St. George Armenian Church in Hartford, CT where he served many years in numerous positions on the Parish Council. In addition, he was member of the Knights of Vartan for several decades. He was an avid stamp collector, jazz album collector, and enjoyed gardening. He enjoyed completing the NY Times crossword puzzle.

A funeral service will take place on Tuesday, July 19 at 10:00 a.m. at St. George Armenian Church, 22 White Street, Hartford, CT. Burial will be private. Memorial donations may be made to St. George Armenian Church. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com.

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Barisano, Elizabeth V. (Vallera)

Elizabeth Barisano, a lifelong resident of East Hartford, passed away on July 7, 2022 following a brief illness. She was 96 years of age. She leaves behind her family and a large circle of friends who thoroughly enjoyed her company.

For 22 years she worked for the East Hartford Board of Education. She was also a long-time member of the Business and Professional Women's Club and the Red Hat Society. In both organizations she played an active role in assisting in the handling of club business and special events.

An excellent chef, her dinners with family and friends were a highlight of the week. Her baking was unmatched, as was her company with family and friends dining out. She was also an avid reader.

She leaves her three children and their spouses; Sandra (John) Franklin of Tampa, Florida, Paula (James) MacPherson of South Windsor, and Joseph (Lynnmarie) Barisano of Vernon. She also enjoyed the company of her three grandchildren, Jared Franklin (Margaret) of Atlanta, Georgia, and Michael and Samantha Barisano of Vernon. She did not have the opportunity to meet her great grandson, a recent arrival, Myron Franklin. She was married to Joseph Barisano for 58 years, who predeceased her in 2007.

A wake will be held July 25 at D'Esopo Funeral Chapel in East Harford from 4 to 7 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at St. Christopher Church in East Hartford at 10 a.m. on July 26. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Edmund Campion Parish in East Hartford.

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Gould, Christian Jay

Christian Jay Gould, 30, of Middletown, passed away on Wednesday, July 13th. Christian spent most of his life living in Portland before moving to Middletown. He graduated from Xavier High School in 2010. Christian was certified as an ultrasonic testing inspector and previously worked at TEAMS in Berlin and GKN in Cromwell. Christian was an Eagle Scout and loved the outdoors. He spent time fishing and enjoying state parks. Christian practiced Karate and was also an Amatuer Radio enthusiast. However, his greatest love was his children. One of Christian's greatest gifts was his acceptance of people from all walks of life.

Christian is preceded by his grandmother, Jessie Gould of Middletown; his aunt, Judy Onorati of Ft. White, FL; his uncle, Clarence (JR) Gould, Jr. of Portland; his uncle and godfather, Amedeo (Butch) Negrelli; and his daughter Liliana Mae Gould. Survivors include his father, Jay Gould of Middletown; his mother and stepfather, Wendy and Lou Vinci of Chaplin; his sister, Caitlin Gould of Old Saybrook; his step-sister, Samantha Parker of Meriden; his paternal grandfather, Clarence Gould of New Berlin, New York; his maternal grandparents, Valentino and Bernadette Pattavina of Middletown; his son Kayden Jay Gauthier of Enfield; his daughter Zeplyn Rae Gould of Colchester, and many aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family also survive.

A memorial service will be held for Christian on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the Oasis of Life Christian Church, Rocky Hill, CT.

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Shaub, Donald A.

Donald A. Shaub, 80, of Old Lyme, passed away peacefully at home on July 3, 2022. Donald was the fifth of seven children born to the late D. Eugene and Harriet (Griswold) Shaub on September 5, 1941 in Norwalk General Hospital. He graduated J.M. Wright Technical High School in Stamford where he was a longtime resident before retiring to Hawks Nest Beach in Old Lyme. Prior to his retirement Donald worked for Petro Oil Company for over thirty years. He enjoyed spending time with family, bird watching, puzzles, UCONN Ladies Basketball, Motorcycles and tinkering on any project. Donnie could fix anything and was always keeping the beach bikes in shape, fixing chains, chain guards and popped tires so the many family members who visited him could ride to the beach.

Donald is survived by brother, Daniel E. Gordon and his sister, Mary Ellen Ciminera both of Torrington CT, 7 nieces and nephews, 29 Great nieces and nephews and 10 great-great nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by siblings, Gordon D. Shaub, David G. Shaub, Barbara A. Dowd and Harriet L. Restelli and his dear cousin, Laura B. Dunn.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2022 at 11:00AM in Christ the King Church, 1 McCurdy Drive Old Lyme, CT. Burial will be private and there will be no calling hours. A Special Thanks to the Dunn Family & Caregivers for overseeing his care in his last remaining years. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the American Diabetes Association, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Dementia Society of America. For further information or to leave a condolence, please visit FarleySullivan.com

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Williams, Barbara A.

Barbara Williams, 87, of Manchester, passed peacefully on Monday, July 11, 2022.

Barbara is survived by her loving son, who has an ache in his heart with her passing, Darrell Williams and his wife Madelin of East Hartford; her grandchildren, Rashawn Williams, Darrell Williams, Jr., Keyon Williams, and Savannah Williams; step-grandchildren Edil Ramos, Michael Adorno, and Joanna Adorno; her great-grandson, Savion Eddie Hernandez; her loving brother, Robert Taylor; nieces, Keisha and Rhona Taylor; and a host of other relatives and dear friends.

Her family will receive friends on Wednesday, July 20, 10-11 a.m., with a Celebration of Life, 11 a.m., at Mount Olive Ministries, 20 Battles St., Hartford.

Burial will be private.

To read the full obituary or leave a condolence for her family, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com

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Covey, Joanne W (Williams)

Joanne (Williams) Covey was born to Ms. Doris Britton in Hartford, Connecticut on April 21, 1948. At birth, she was adopted by the late John and Hazel Williams and attended Hartford Public Schools. Joanne resided in East Hartford, Connecticut until she was called home to be with our Heavenly Father on July 7, 2022. Anyone who knew Joanne would agree she had a heart of gold, but was never afraid to speak her mind. In addition, she would engage in "marathon" conversations with family, friends, and complete strangers; always willing to share her point of view on the topic of the day. Joanne enjoyed life to the fullest to her very last day at Manchester Hospital and the family is extremely grateful for the exceptional care they provided her during her illness. Joanne will be deeply missed by all. Joanne was predeceased by her husband, Alexander Covey; her biological mother, Doris Britton; her adopted parents, John and Hazel Williams; two sons, Andrew and Stephen; sister, Barbara, and brother, Peter. She leaves to mourn and cherish her loving memory: son, Robert; grandson, Casey; two sisters, Patty and Theresa; two brothers, John and Robert, and a host of special friends and family members who had a special place in her heart.

We welcome you to join us on Sunday, July 17, 2022 at Brooklawn Funeral Home, 511 Brook Street, Rocky Hill, Connecticut 06067 between 12:00 pm- 2:00 pm to celebrate Joanne's life.

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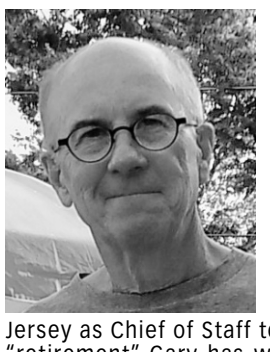
Heard, Gary Louis



Gary Louis Heard of Brooklyn, New York and Niantic, Connecticut, died on July 6, 2022, while running a race in Prospect Park, Brooklyn. He was 73.

Born in Hartford, Connecticut in 1948, to Louis Heard and Helen Carroll Heard. Gary grew up in Manchester. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration in 1970, from Upsala College. Later in life, while working full time as an insurance underwriter, Gary's personal interest in European politics led him to earn a Masters degree in Political Science from New York University.

Throughout high school and college Gary worked harvesting tobacco, as a camp counselor, and as a roofer. After college, Gary completed the underwriting training program at Chubb Insurance, going on to a successful 39-year career there. Bored after retiring from Chubb in 2009, Gary then worked for a boutique insurance firm and spent three years at Travelers Insurance's Entertainment Insurance Division before retiring again.

In 2017, a former colleague asked Gary to join the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey as Chief of Staff to the Chairman. A year later, Gary again retired from full-time employment. Since this third "retirement" Gary has worked as an election day worker and, at the time of his death, was a coach for the New York Road Runners' group training sessions. He has also delved extensively into genealogy, writing two book-length research reports about the two sides of his family.

An avid lifelong athlete, Gary played baseball non-stop from little league until he retired from his corporate softball team in his late 60s. He was also a skilled and devoted golfer. Gary enjoyed his greatest athletic success through long-distance running, completing 19 marathons (including four Bostons), eight Hood to Coast Relays, and numerous shorter races. Gary completed his last race, the Al Goldstein Series 5k in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, two weeks before his death, in a time of 29:29, placing first among men aged 70-74.

Gary leaves behind his wife of 21 years, Sara; two daughters, Marjorie Heard of Brooklyn and Beth Provo (and her husband Kahlil) of Olympia, Washington; two grandchildren, Rosalia Provo and Mateo Provo; his brother Peter Heard (and wife Beth) of Manchester; several nieces and nephews and countless heartbroken friends. He was predeceased by his sister, Laurie Heard Berg, as well as his parents.

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Sieklucki, Richard A.

Richard Alan Sieklucki, 79 of the Villages, Florida passed away Sunday July 3, 2022. He was born in Boston on June 28, 1943 to Alfred and Georgette Sieklucki. He was a happy, outgoing child with many friends growing up in Old Wethersfield. He attended Wethersfield schools and served 5 years in the US Air Force as a medic. He held several successful sales positions before becoming the owner of Rapid Express Trucking in Windsor Locks. He is survived by his son Jonathan (Joy) and their children Hannah and Ian, daughter Amelina Siekluska, his two stepsons, Christopher Cody (Lisa) and their sons Nicholas and Tyler, and Marc Brodeur (Karen) and his children Stephen and Alexandra.He is also survived by his sister Karen Shannon and her fiancee C. Michael Budlong and sister Susan Zeliff and her husband Gregory. He is survived by his first wife and mother of his children, Jackie Mitchell. He was predeceased by his second wife Judy Hobbs Sieklucki.Rich and Judy spent many happy years at their summer home on John's Pond in Mashpee, MA. They eventually retired to West Palm Beach, Florida where he and Judy enjoyed an active and happy social life. He loved cars, cigars and playing golf. A memorial service will be held on Thursday July 21st at 4:30 at the First Church of Christ, 250 Main Street, Wethersfield.

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Cosgrove, Glenn F

Glenn Francis Cosgrove, 51, of Newington, beloved son of the late Anthony and April J. (LaCafta) Cosgrove, departed this world on July 4, 2022. Glenn was born on February 5, 1971, lliving in Newington most of his life. Glenn graduated from Newington High School and was a professional tree cutter all of his adult life. Wasn't a tree tall enough to rattle him. Glenn loved to stay busy, and had a knack for tinkering, often building things together with his daughter, Erin. Glenn was an avid Red Sox fan, relishing in their success all these years. Red Sox Nation is a little quieter today. Glenn is survived by his daughter Erin Elizabeth, his pride and joy, and her mother Jackie Gordon, Glenn's long-time partner. Glenn is also survived by his siblings Tony Jr, Chris, Mary-Anne and Michael, as well as nieces and nephew Brianna, Kelly, Kayla and Daniel. Arrangements will be private.

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Mogdans, Romuald E.

Romuald Mogdans, 84, of Berlin, passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2022. Romuald was born in Germany on January 18, 1938 and immigrated to New Britain in the late 1950's. After obtaining a mechanical engineering degree in Germany, he found employment at Stanley Works as a machinist, becoming a foreman and retiring with over 30 years of service. He was an actively engaged member of St. John's Church. Springtime gardening, work around the yard, bowling and bird watching were his passions. He was a devout soccer fan and enthusiast who loved to collect coins, especially the new state series quarters. He was an altruist for the less fortunate and supporting the under-dog. His broad knowledge base was a notable trait of his. He passed peacefully leaving lasting memories. He was a friend, a loving uncle, a father figure for our family, and an all around great human. A diagnosis of Alzheimer's sadly claimed his life.

He is survived by two nephews; George Durko and Gustav Durko, and two nieces; Lucie Chartrand (Timothy Chartrand) and Nancy Prior. He was a grand uncle to Lindsey Chartrand and Sara Chartrand and a great-grand uncle to Mason Chartrand. He also leaves his dear heartfelt friend, Jean Bozak. He will be greatly missed, but never forgotten. Fond memories and prayers his soul rests in peace. Funeral services will be held privately. Erickson-Hansen Funeral Home of Berlin is handling arrangements. Any donations and/or gifts in his memory should be made to St. Jude's Hospital. Please share a memory of Romuald with the family in the online guestbook at www.ericksonhansenberlin.com

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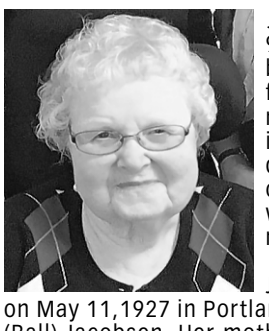

June Swanton Johnson (age 95) died peacefully surrounded by her family on July 8, 2022 following a short illness. June received superb care and loving support through her final days and hours from the staff of Seabury Skilled Nursing, where she had resided for many years.

June was born June Jacobsen on May 11,1927 in Portland, Maine to Heinrich and Effie (Ball) Jacobsen. Her mother died when she was a baby and due to difficult family circumstances during the depression, she was later adopted by Henry and Lillian Pearl Swanton also of Portland, who became her legal parents.

June graduated from Deering High School in Portland in 1944 and from the University of Maine at Orono in 1948, majoring in Speech and Chemistry. She planned to pursue the path of a research chemist, but met the love of her life, Evan Johnson and decided on a career in teaching which, in 1948, was more compatible with marriage and family life. It turned out to be a fortuitous choice. In teaching, she found her vocation in the truest sense of the word. June went on to obtain a Masters Degree in Education from Springfield College in MA and choosing the field of biology, studied further at Harvard, MIT and Holy Cross, as she rigorously stayed current with the rapid changes in this field. She became a master teacher, whose particular passion and expertise was genetics. June's 30 year teaching career included high schools in ME and MA with the last 19 years being spent teaching Biology at Brockton High School in Brockton, MA.

After retirement from public school teaching, June and Evan moved to Westport, MA where their home had a glorious view of the Westport River. Family members and countless friends and colleagues were blessed to spend time there enjoying June and Evan's generous hospitality. During this time June attended the Guild for Spiritual Guidance in Rye NY studying particularly the works of Teilhard de Chardin. This interest led to her teaching classes on the spirituality of aging. June was an active member of the Methodist Church since childhood. Given her scientific knowledge and inquiring mind she had an expansive understanding of spirituality, not containing God to any gender or particular religious framework.

In Westport, June's concern for the environment prompted her to work for many years testing for e Coli in the waters of the Westport River and to serve on the Board of the Watershed Alliance. She was also a member of the Council on Aging in Westport with which she continued her commitment to teaching, leading exercise classes for the prevention of osteoporosis.
As a member of the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, June taught courses in basic genetics and related ethical choices for several years. She was a voracious learner and this commitment to life-long education led her to serve on the founding committee of an institute of learning in retirement at UMASS Dartmouth. When June and Evan moved to CT in 2007 to live at Seabury in Bloomfield, June continued these interests by serving in the leadership of and teaching courses in the Adult Learning Program (ALP) associated with UCONN. Additionally, she chaired and participated in the Seabury Health Services Committee for many years and managed a health publications section for the Seabury Library.

June had a remarkable ability to connect with people and nurture lifelong friendships. Even at 95 she was exchanging Christmas cards with over a hundred people including former students. She also had an adventurous side. Lest one think that June's lifelong learning was only academic, she took up scuba diving at age 50, overcoming a lifelong fear of the water. She traveled extensively throughout her life, particularly in the years after her retirement, often participating in Elderhostel/Road Scholar programs.

June's husband of 62 years, The Rev. Dr. Evan Johnson was an ordained minister in the New England Conference of the United Methodist Church. They were both deeply committed to social justice causes within this framework and beyond and were members of the Methodist Federation for Social Action.

June is survived by two daughters, Kathryn J. Johnson of Washington, DC, and Karen Johnson Sprout (and her spouse Howard Sprout) of Bloomfield; two grandchildren, Joanna Sprout Engel of West Hartford, CT (and her spouse Miriam Engel) and Lily G. Johnson of Portland, Oregon; and three nephews, David, George and Peter Ward from Portland, ME.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 pm on Thursday, July 21, 2022 in the Bishops Chapel at Seabury, 200 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002. Donations in June's memory can be made to the Seabury Charitable Foundation at the same address and/or the Preacher's Aid Society, 51 Charles Wesley Ct., Wells, ME 04090. June's ashes will be interred at Beech Grove Cemetery in Westport, MA at a future date. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Russian soldiers work to find and defuse mines along the high voltage line in eastern Ukraine on Wednesday. Below, Russian President Vladimir Putin. **AP PHOTOS**

WHERE IS WAR IN UKRAINE HEADED?

By Bradley D. Woodworth

Wars do come to an end, including the war that Russia is carrying out in Ukraine, killing hundreds of people a day, including both military personnel and civilians.

We must not forget that this is not a two-sided war: It is being carried out by the armed forces of the Russian Federation, and fighting would stop the moment President Vladimir Putin were to give the order.

What does Putin want? The truth is that he wants much more than the rest of the world will ever give: He wants a new world order. This war must not end with a world order chosen by Putin.

Some observers and experts harbor the hope and expectation that Putin will call a ceasefire once his forces control the region of eastern and southern Ukraine known as the Donbas. According to this scenario, Putin would explain the situation to Russia's citizens as a victory and then end the conflict, satisfied at having won territory in Ukraine's east and weakening Russia's large neighbor on its southwestern border.

But Putin's aims go beyond seizing territory in Ukraine or even bringing all of Ukraine firmly under Moscow's control, believed by many to have been Putin's aim when he began the war on Feb. 24.

In comments made at a meeting on July 7 with leaders in Russia's parliament, or Duma, Putin let the world know that not only is he ready to keep on fighting — he is counting on it. In a recording of his remarks released by the Kremlin, Putin put it in his typically bellicose fashion: "Today we hear that they want to defeat us on the battlefield. What can I say? Let them try."

Putin blamed the war on "the West," saying, "We hear a lot about the West wanting to battle with us 'to the last Ukrainian.' Everyone should know that we haven't yet even really begun."

The notion that the war in Ukraine is being pushed upon Ukrainians by the United States is straight from Russian state propaganda. Russian Minister of Defense Sergei Shoigu told Russian military officials in April the United States and Western countries under its control are doing everything to lengthen the special operation. The growing volume of imported weapons from abroad clearly shows their intention to provoke the Kyiv regime to fight "to the last Ukrainian."

Putin is depicting his war as a battle between Russia and Western democracies, which he sees as completely under the thumb of Washington. He said this past week: If the West wants to provoke a conflict in order to move to a new stage in the fight with Russia and in containing our country, then to an extent it has succeeded. War has been unleashed and sanctions deployed.

Putin first expressed his view that the United States and the countries of Europe were allies in targeting Russia in 2007, when he gave a combative speech in Munich in which he accused the United States and Europe as acting together as "one center of power, one center of force, one center for decision-making." Russia, he said, was opposed to such a "unipolar world."

Relations between Russia and the West have dramatically worsened with economic sanctions leveled against Russian state entities and officials beginning in 2012 for human rights abuses and then dramatically in 2014 after Russia first invaded Ukraine, seizing Crimea and backing pro-Russia separatists in several eastern regions of Ukraine. Putin's fury was heightened by the inflow of U.S. military aid sent to Ukraine.

For Putin, relations between countries are not based on formal agreements recognized by international law. In his view, a state is made sovereign not through intra-state agreements or by the will of voters, but simply by wielding raw power. In a speech last month at the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum — bringing

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Judge charged with DUI tells cops he's friends with chief

Kevin Rennie

"I'm the probate judge," Peter Mariano reminded Naugatuck police officers again and again and again when they arrested him three times for alleged drunken driving in the spring of 2021.

Mariano, seeking his sixth term this year, can be seen during these arrests on hours of video obtained from Naugatuck police through a request under the state Freedom of Information Act. This includes Mariano telling front-line police officers he is friends with their bosses.

On the night of May 18, 2021, Mariano was stopped leaving a liquor store parking lot. He had fallen to the ground on his way to his BMW, prompting a call to the police. He admitted to police that he had been drinking, the video shows. Asked his name, Mariano responds he's the probate judge. "That's your name?" responds an officer.

Mariano was too intoxicated to follow the finger of an officer patiently administering a field sobriety test, according the police report. Mariano interrupted the test to remind the officers that he is friends with a slurred roll call of Naugatuck police, including Colin McAllister, the deputy chief at the time and the soon-to-retire chief.

A test at the police station that night revealed Mariano's blood alcohol concentration was 0.33 and 0.34 — close to unconscious, according to police reports, but able to try a fumbling attempt at intimidation, the video shows. Officer Austin Cipriano deserves a promotion for politely ignoring Mariano's staggering bid to big foot him, to allow the judge to escape another arrest.

Three weeks before the grim May 18 arrest, police responded to their fifth call of 2021 involving Mariano. The chief clerk in Mariano's court had reported concerns about him. Two officers went to his house to perform a wellness check. Their cameras and microphones were engaged. Mariano was not home. One officer mentioned that he was familiar with ways into Mariano's house because he'd been there before on an unrelated person the judge wanted removed from his home. The police subdued that person and took her out, the officer said on the video.

Mariano did arrive home that day— allegedly driving drunk. Within a couple of minutes of the police stopping Mariano at the bottom of his driveway, the judge told them he is friends with McAllister and he's the probate judge. They persuaded him to get out of his car. An argumentative Mariano failed the field test, according to the police report, and was arrested. "I'm the probate judge and I'm in my driveway," he said,

Mariano was arrested on a drunken driving charge once more — on June 1, 2021. Police found "18 unopened Sutter Home Pinot Grigio 'nippers' in the front and back seats of Mariano's vehicle." They also observed four empty "nippers" on the front seat, according to their report. He blew a 0.30 and 0.29 on the breath test. Mariano was supposed to be in rehab again that day, according to the videos.

Two days before, Mariano was caught driving in Naugatuck while his license was suspended. The officer who responded to the call was familiar with Mariano. He determined Mariano was sober, gave him a summons and drove him home, the video and police reports show. "I know I'm in big trouble," Mariano admitted on the video.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

'Witches' of yore should be exonerated

Which witch was hanged?

Well, when it comes to Connecticut the answer probably is none.

But there were women hanged here long ago, and there is little doubt they were not guilty of anything, let alone witchcraft.

And we say that with a nod to the Constitution that has a prominent amendment we like a lot: It bars Congress from making law establishing a religion "or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

That means you can't be guilty of witchcraft — at least not since the Bill of Rights was passed.

Yet in 1647 things were a little different.

That's when Alse Young of Windsor was executed. This unfortunate event took place right near the Old State House.

Try not to think about that next time you drive past that stately and historic building.

Alse was the first, but she was not the last.

Even before there was talk of trials in Salem, Mass., there was Connecticut "witch hysteria," according to the New England Historical Society,

In all its gruesomeness, this hysteria led to Connecticut charging at least 46 people with witchcraft between 1647 and 1697.

Eleven of those people were executed, some of them men.

According to the New England Historical Society, Greater Hartford was part of that trend, as John and Joan Carrington of Wethersfield "weren't among the lucky ones" and were hanged in 1651.

And Mary Barnes of Farmington "was another unfortunate victim" who was executed in Hartford in 1663. Poor Mary's crime? She was hanged for "having entertained familiarity with Satan, the grand enemy of God and mankind," the society reports.

Things have changed since then, Connecticut no longer has capital punishment, and we are not quite sure anymore what evidence proves such familiarity with Satan or why a jury would believe such an accusation.

But while you're not likely to hear anything similar in courtrooms these days, something has not changed even with the passage of time: the call for justice.

People such as Alse C. Freeman are working to have the Connecticut General Assembly exonerate the victims of the Connecticut witch trials.

If Freeman's first name rings a bell, yes, she uses that of her ninth great-grandmother, the Alse who was hanged in Hartford.

With other descendants and people interested in justice, Freeman and members of the Connecticut Witch Trial Exoneration Project seek to amend Connecticut law to allow for posthumous pardons.

This also would benefit others whose false conviction was not overturned prior to their death.

A change would be necessary because Connecticut's governor can't issue pardons and the State Board of Pardons and Paroles doesn't have a posthumous pardon process.

"Only individuals who are connected in this way can comprehend that we actually feel the pain of our ancestors."

— Sarah Esterly, a descendant from Nevada

As it is for Freeman, it's also personal for others who are working on this project.

"Only individuals who are connected in this way can comprehend that we actually feel the pain of our ancestors," Sarah Esterly, a descendant from Nevada told The Courant's Alison Cross.

This type of effort has failed in the past, including when it went to the legislature. But now state Rep. Jane Garibay, D-Windsor, has said that she would try to find a way for posthumous pardons to be allowed in Connecticut.

"I do hope that if there is a path forward that we will be able to do it next session," Garibay has said.

It's the right thing for Connecticut to do.

Scotland has already apologized for its history of witchcraft persecution. Massachusetts exonerated its witches, including Elizabeth Johnson of Salem, who only got her justice earlier this year — more than 300 years after she was accused.

Connecticut has been a little slow to recognize its place in the history of injustice that brought about the hangings here. It could be a need to learn more about the past and its impact on the present.

As do other past injustices, this one still brings pain.

Or as Garibay said, she "may not have had one of my ancestors murdered, but you can still feel for the people that went through that."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Elections will be decided by oil costs, not Roe

Regarding the July 3 Page 1 story, "Abortion joins top election issues — end of Roe v. Wade throws new wrinkle into fight for control of Connecticut General Assembly" — I say nope.

Heating oil in Connecticut is $5.50 per gallon. It will probably hit $6 by the time the pumpkins are covered with frost. When people pay $1,560 to fill one tank of oil that will last 45 days, what issue do you think will be uppermost in voters' minds on Nov. 8?

Lori Price, Bristol

Hold family, gun seller responsible for shooting

The parade shooter had a history of threatening to kill himself and others. The authorities knew, his family knew, and still he was able to purchase lethal weapons.

Whoever sold the weapons should be held responsible, as should his family and the authorities. This should be the law. And these weapons should be banned.

Pat Haefs, Glastonbury

Stories, placement made no sense

The Courant printed an article on Page 1 on July 3 about in-utero surgery "for the tiniest patients" and included the words "operating on an unborn child in its mother's womb." Above and below were articles referring to abortion.

Since a thing cannot be true and false at the same time, what are we talking about here — a baby for whom heroic efforts can be made to save its life? Or in the context of abortion, a "product of pregnancy" not distinct from the body of the woman, which can be discarded at any time, for any or no reason?

Any reasonable person should find this absence of logic mind-boggling.

Lorraine ZuWallack, Avon

Gun culture has ruined safety of everyday life

Russia (or China) does not need to attack us since we are imploding from within. Our gun culture has destroyed the safety of everyday life as we are not safe in shopping malls, grocery stores, movie theaters, concerts or even a Fourth of July celebration.

We are not safe in churches, mosques or temples, as religious sites are targets. We are not safe in Black, brown or white communities. The madness has no end in sight as the Supreme Court has decided the rights of gun owners to have concealed weapons outweighs safety measures that cities and states deem necessary.

AR-15s and weapons of war are prevalent to those who want to outdo the most recent mass murder. Our Declaration of Independence states that we have the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as part of our "inalienable rights" as Americans. When are we going to balance this sacred principle from the Founding Fathers with an amendment to the Constitution that never foresaw the existence of weapons of war in the hands of the lunatic fringe?

Sanjay Rambhia, Middletown

Courant helped me realize I love my country

I am grateful to The Courant for asking Americans how they feel about their country this Fourth of July. I found myself agreeing in some way with all of their sentiments. Maybe that's a good sign.

We express our feelings for our country in myriad ways. None of them is wrong. For me, while maybe feeling a bit less celebratory this year, Independence Day is a time to contemplate my freedom, to cherish it and feel gratitude toward those who helped provide it, to love my America, warts and all, though deeply flawed at times, and to renew my hope for an America that strives every day to live up to the ideals that were central to its founding.

Joseph Williams, Glastonbury

The ignorance of some Supreme Court justices

By Joel Samberg

The Supreme Court justices who overturned Roe v. Wade have shown their ignorance — willful ignorance, most likely — concerning one immutable fact about human nature: As a species we are designed to want to have sex. As a result of that unalterable trait, there are always going to be women who get pregnant when they do not intend to.

Whether or not you believe in God, whether you subscribe to creationism or evolution, there can be no argument that humans have a resolute craving to propagate. It is hard-wired into our DNA. There is nothing we can do about it. It is why most adolescent boys get excited at the prospect of seeing a photo of a naked woman — or better yet, seeing a real woman in a skimpy bikini. It is why young teenage girls primp for hours to attract the attention of cute guys at school. They don't know it, but they're starting to build a foundation on which life can be made to go on after they're gone. Boys and girls don't choose to be sexually enquiring; nature — or God — made them that way.

It's an innate hunger that follows us into adulthood. We don't think about sex as much as we do — or want to have it as much as we'd like — simply because it's fun or because movies and television tell us to. We're constructed to want it. It's part of what makes us human.

Justices Thomas, Alito, Kavanaugh et. al., and other militant anti-abortionists, do not understand this, or if they do, they just don't care. They want to deny us our basic human nature. Are they merely ignorant? Did their religious upbringing turn them into pigheaded fools? Or do they have psychological issues of their own that play into their unsympathetic and inconsiderate viewpoints?

We'll always have sex, and women will always get pregnant. In some ways that was less of a problem hundreds and thousands of years ago simply because having a baby after sex was the sole option for those who became pregnant. Also, it was frequently a necessity for family and societal proliferation. Many kids used to die in childhood, and the population was exponentially smaller. That's not the case anymore. That's changed.

But our biological predisposition for sex has not.

What's more, we have developed the capability to safely manage unwanted pregnancies. Whether or not you believe in God, whether you subscribe to creationism or evolution, there can be no argument that humans are endowed with an intelligence beyond that of every other species on Earth. Thanks to modern medical technology, abortions are entirely dependable. If you believe in God, why is it so hard to believe that he gave us skills and knowledge to control a situation over which he gave us very little control?

We must not leave out of this discussion that other most inimitable of human traits: love. It might have been nature that did it, or it might have been God, but the fact is that love and sex often go together. Unfortunately, falling in love does not always mean that the lovemaking couple is prepared for parenthood, emotionally, financially or in many other ways. That, too, is just a fact of life that Thomas, Alito and the others refuse to acknowledge.

And then, of course, there's the hypocrisy factor. Are we to believe that Justices Thomas, Alito, Kavanaugh, et. al. never had sex for purposes other than to sire a child? Are we to believe none of them have close family members who have had abortions? It is a certainty that there are more than a handful of enraged pro-woman's-choicers who wonder whether one or two of those justices ever paid out of their own pockets for someone else to have an abortion. (Or for that matter the president who nominated them.) There are several reasons why that doesn't seem entirely farfetched.

Granted, this hypocrisy road can be a dangerous one on which to travel. But there are many writers who know that traveling dangerous roads is sometimes necessary in order to get a point across. That, too, is part of human nature.

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War

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together business leaders and politicians — Putin said that the future belongs only to the strong and powerful: It is obvious that it is up to the strong sovereign states, those that do not follow a trajectory imposed by others, to set the rules governing the new world order. Only powerful and sovereign states can have their say in this emerging world order.

In this new world order, he said, "the European Union has lost its political sovereignty, and its bureaucratic elites are dancing to someone else's tune."

In his recent remarks made to Duma representatives, Putin stressed that American and European leaders should have understood that they have already lost. Its onset marks the beginning of a fundamental break in a world order defined by what Americans want.

Putin can say that Europe is run from Washington, but saying this does not make it so. The bulk of NATO strength is provided by the United States, but the United States did not direct the waves of NATO enlargement in 1999, 2004 and 2009.

Fearing Russian aggression, the people of eastern and central Europe themselves petitioned for inclusion in the Western military alliance. The current petitions from Finland and Sweden for NATO membership — now already approved by a number of European governments — were direct and immediate consequences of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

What Putin wants is a world order in which a small number of states sets the course of relations between countries throughout the world. Who else would belong to this select group? Putin has pointed to China and India as "reliable partners."

A world in which a small handful of countries control economic and military relations throughout the world is not the one that developed in the post-World War II era. Putin's claim for Russia's inclusion in this small group can be based not on the strength of Russia's economy, but solely on the fact that it possesses the nuclear weapons left behind by the USSR.

The post-war international order has not been founded on sheer power and might. It is based on shared, multilateral institutions, the rule of law, participatory democracy and international cooperation aimed at addressing shared global challenges. Unless we are willing to endanger that shared, peaceful international order, Putin cannot be allowed to have his way in Ukraine — or have doors opened to him anywhere else outside of Russia.

Who will give in first? Putin is not beholden to an electorate, and he controls those at the head of regional governments and, of course, the military. It is unclear when and how discontent in Russia will or can rise to a level that would convince him to stop his war. Seen from the perspective of the United States and Europe, it must not be concluded that it will be Putin who will concede defeat. What options do you have when the state threatening and attacking your friends and allies will stop at nothing? You must continue to support those friends and allies and not give up.

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Rennie

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Mariano told the officer he was going to rehab again the next day. He'd tried to go recently but was too intoxicated to be admitted, he says on the video. Once more, this time sober, according to police, Mariano, reminded the officer he's "a f——— judge," adding his mantra, "I'm friends with McAllister."

When they arrived at Mariano's driveway, the judge told the long-suffering officer, "I have to run for office in a year and I'm f——-."

Maybe, maybe not.

Mariano, a Republican, lost his party's endorsement for reelection in May. The Middlebury delegation to the Republican nominating convention provided Mariano enough votes to challenge state Rep. Rosa Rebimbas in an Aug. 9 primary. The Democrats in the four-town district did Mariano one better; they endorsed him as their candidate.

Mariano's attorney, Mark Ouelette, did not respond to a request for comment.

The Democratic convention came days after Mariano served four days in jail on separate charges of illegal operation of a motor vehicle under influence of alcohol. He is on probation for 18 months. The plea deal suggests prosecutors in Waterbury did not spend hours watching the videos the Naugatuck police provided. The judge presiding in Mariano's cases must have heard a sanitized version of the facts.

In November, Mariano will join Gov. Ned Lamont, Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz and U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal on the Democratic ticket in Beacon Falls, Middlebury, Naugatuck and Prospect. If Mariano defeats Rebimbas in August, he will have no opposition in November. He will remain unfit for the authority over others he would continue to exercise — brandishing it to save himself in a jam.

Kevin F. Rennie of South Windsor is a lawyer and a former Republican state senator and representative.

COMMENTARY

A presidential candidate who meets the moment

David Brooks

I'd like you to consider the possibility that the political changes that have rocked this country over the past six years will be nothing compared with the changes that will rock it over the next six. I'd like you to consider the possibility that we're in some sort of pre-revolutionary period.

Look at the conditions all around us:

First, Americans are deeply dissatisfied with the way things are going. Only 13% of voters say the country is on the right track, according to a New York Times/Siena College poll published recently.

Second, Americans are deeply dissatisfied with the leaders of both parties.

Third, inflation is soaring. Throughout history, inflationary periods have often been linked to political instability.

Fourth, the generational turnover is coming. The boomer gerontocracy that now dominates power is bound to retire, leaving a vacuum for something new.

Fifth, Americans are detaching from the two political parties. Far more Americans consider themselves independents, and independents may be growing more distinct. Sixty-two percent of Americans believe a third party is needed.

Sixth, disgust with the current system is high. A majority of American voters believe that our system of government does not work, and 58% believe that our democracy needs major reforms or a complete overhaul. Nearly half of young adult voters believe voting does not affect how the government operates.

If these conditions persist, the 2024 presidential primaries could be wild. If the hunger for change is as strong as it is now, the climate will favor unconventional outsiders. These sorts of oddball candidates could set off a series of swings and disequilibriums that will make the existing party systems unstable.

Furthermore, if ever there was a moment ripe for a Ross Perot-like third candidate in the 2024 general election, this is that moment. There are efforts underway to prepare the way for a third candidate, and in this environment, an outsider, with no ties to the status quo, who runs against the establishment and on the idea that we need to fundamentally fix the system — well, that person could wind up winning the presidency. These conditions have already shaken up the stereotypes we used to use to think about politics. We used to think of the Democrats as the party of the economically disadvantaged. But college-educated metropolitan voters continue to flock to it and reshape it more and more each year. In the Times/Siena poll of registered voters, 57% of white college graduates wanted Democrats to control Congress. For the first time in the survey's history, Democrats had a larger share of support among white college graduates than among nonwhite voters. These white voters are often motivated by social policy issues like abortion rights and gun regulation.

Republicans used to be the party of business, but now they are emerging as a multiracial working-class party. In the Times/Siena poll, Hispanic voters were nearly evenly split about whether they favored Republicans or Democrats in the midterms. That may be overstating how much Hispanics have shifted, but it does seem as if the Republicans are genuinely becoming a working-class white-brown coalition. These voters care about the economy, the economy and the economy.

In other words, we now have an establishment progressive party and an anti-establishment conservative party.

If I were a cynical political operative who wanted to construct a presidential candidate perfectly suited for this moment, I'd start by making this candidate culturally conservative. I'd want the candidate to show by dress, speech and style that he or she is not part of the coastal educated establishment. I'd want the candidate to connect with middle- and working-class voters on values and to be full-throatedly patriotic. Then I'd make the candidate economically center-left. I'd want to fuse the economic anxieties of the working-class Republicans with the economic anxieties of the Bernie Sanders young into one big riled populist package. Then I'd have that candidate deliver one nonpartisan message: Everything is broken. Then he or she would offer a slew of institutional reforms to match the comprehensive institutional reforms the Progressive movement offered more than a century ago.

I guess I'm looking for a sort of modern Theodore Roosevelt. But heck, I don't know. What's coming down the pike is probably so unforeseeable that I don't even have categories for it yet.

Brooks is a columnist for The New York Times.

Who will take more booster shots?

By Lisa Jarvis
Bloomberg Opinion

Registered nurse Orlyn Grace administers a COVID-19 booster shot to Jeanie Merriman on April 6 in San Rafael, Calif. **JUSTIN SULLIVAN/GETTY**

Once a week, typically on the day that the Centers for Disease Control updates its COVID-19 data tracker, I send my dad a text: "Did you make an appointment to get your booster?"

Yes, I'm a nudge. But the data for people his age are unambiguous: A second booster helps keep them alive and out of the hospital. Each new variant of omicron, currently the worrisomely contagious BA.5, provides fresh kindling for infections. And even though fewer people are dying these days compared with earlier waves, hospitalization rates are ticking up — most dramatically among people 70 and older.

My father is hardly the only one in that group not up to date on COVID-19 vaccines. While public health experts have been debating the makeup of fall booster shots, they seem to be overlooking a concerning trend: a growing lack of enthusiasm for more shots. Very few of those eligible have received their second boosters, and many have missed even the first one. Most children younger than 12 remain unvaccinated. COVID-19 shots are being thrown out in the U.S. at an accelerating pace; since May, some 12 million doses have expired, the Wall Street Journal reported.

The White House is reported to be considering making second booster shots widely available for all adults. It should also be carefully planning how to better sell the value of those vaccines before the U.S. heads into the first winter COVID-19 season with little mask-wearing or other protective measures in place.

People are tired of the pandemic, and persuading them to get more shots keeps getting harder. Easy-to-understand guidelines for vaccination could help get people back on track — especially if they're paired with evidence-backed messaging. Here are a few ideas worth considering:

The share of elementary school-aged kids who have received their first two COVID-19 shots has been stuck at around 30%. "We expected uptake to be slow in the 5-to-11 age group, but we didn't expect it to be this slow," said E. Adrianne Hammershaimb, a research fellow at the University of Maryland's Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health. Only 1.5% of children younger than 5 had received their first shot by July 7.

When Hammershaimb and her colleagues surveyed parents last fall about COVID-19 vaccine attitudes, they identified a few potential strategies for improving uptake of the shots. Their survey showed, for example, that many parents would be more likely to accept a vaccine that has full approval from the Food and Drug Administration — rather than the emergency use authorization that vaccines for younger kids currently have. Recently, the FDA gave Pfizer's vaccine full approval for kids 12 to 15 — more than a year after the shots were initially authorized, and full approval for younger kids' shots seems a long way off.

Most parents also said they would be less likely to get their children a COVID-19 shot if its side effects appeared to be greater than those from other childhood vaccines. Clearly, public health officials and pediatricians will need to emphasize that most kids experience only mild, short-lived symptoms from the shots. Parents are also weighing the risks of the vaccine against those of COVID-19 itself, which underlines the need for public health officials and pediatricians to explain why vaccinating children matters. Sean O'Leary, a pediatric infectious diseases specialist at the University of Colorado who studies barriers to vaccination, gives families a pitch that goes something like this: Although adults stand a greater risk of serious outcomes from COVID-19 than children do, infections are not benign in kids. More than a thousand have died from COVID-19 in the U.S. And if that sounds like a small number in the larger context of COVID-19 deaths, well, it should — because the death of any child is rare and uniquely tragic. Just as we would leap at the chance to prevent other causes of childhood deaths, things like pediatric cancer or drownings, so should we leap at the chance to vaccinate against COVID-19.

O'Leary's research suggests that pediatricians should be even more nuanced when talking with reluctant families. One is to make a "presumptive recommendation." That is, rather than ask parents their preference, state that the child is due for the vaccine. Another is called "motivational interviewing." By this approach, the doctor doesn't tell patients what to do, O'Leary explained, but instead has a guided conversation "so they understand why a behavior change is important to their own internal values."

Communicating the importance of vaccination to adults is tougher. People who happily got their initial shots may no longer be keeping track of when they are due for the next one. Or they may be concerned that if they get one now, they'll miss out on an updated vaccine in the fall. Some are questioning the need for any more shots because they've had COVID-19, maybe more than once, and have recovered just fine.

At this stage, anyone making a case for more shots needs to lead with empathy. "People are not in the mood to be pushed," said Heidi J. Larson, director of the Vaccine Confidence Project at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Heading into fall, when new boosters tailored to omicron variants are expected to arrive, the challenge will be to recapture the high percentage of adults who got their first round of shots. Ideally, people of all ages will be able to get vaccinated at once — as they are with flu shots.

Restoring people's enthusiasm for vaccines will require nuanced messaging as well as plain honesty around what the FDA and CDC know and don't know about how well the shots protect people.

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Democrats need to pass laws now, messaging bills can wait

By Jonathan Bernstein
Bloomberg Opinion

Democrats are considering bills in Congress to codify various Supreme Court decisions based on privacy rights, including access to contraception and same-sex marriage. They figure it's win-win. If Republicans go along, then each bill that passes would be a policy win many Democratic groups care deeply about. If Republicans block them in the Senate, then Democrats can run on those issues in the midterm elections this November.

This seems like a sensible thing for Democrats to do.

But messaging bills should not be a high priority for a party that's almost certainly in the last months of a rare period of unified government. The top priorities should be substantive bills that would be unlikely to pass if Republicans win back majorities in the House of Representatives (extremely likely) and/or the Senate (somewhat likely).

Confirming as many judges and executive branch nominations as possible should also top the to-do list. Judging from what happened when Mitch McConnell was Senate majority leader in the last two years of Barack Obama's presidency, we can expect close to a total shutdown on confirmations if Republicans regain a majority in that chamber, so Democrats should be filling every available vacancy.

However, nominations move on their own track, and the Senate isn't going to be delayed on them by bringing up a handful of additional bills. If it becomes an issue, Democrats can always cut short the August recess; doing so to consider legislation they want to categorize as urgent seems like a good way to squeeze a bit of extra publicity out of it. As far as other legislation is concerned, there isn't much that is expected to pass. As far as I can see, floor time isn't a problem in the House, and wouldn't be a significant problem in the Senate. The trickier question is whether Democrats should lean toward passing these measures or hope to use them as campaign issues. That is, do they want Republicans — at least 10 Senate Republicans, at any rate, to overcome certain filibusters — to support or oppose these bills?

The answer depends, to a large extent, on how important Democrats believe each bill might be. Some of the rights in question do not appear to be in much danger. Even if the Court majority was prepared to overturn Loving v. Virginia, the 1967 case that established the right to interracial marriages, it doesn't appear likely that any state is interested in reviving bans on them.

On the other hand, it's not hard to imagine some states acting if they're allowed to legislate against marriage equality, or even to outlaw same-sex sexual relations. Many Republicans scoff at the notion that they would ever ban contraception, but there are already efforts to count some forms of birth control as abortions, and I wouldn't be surprised if some legislatures made access to all contraceptives more difficult, at least for some people. Congressional action could presumably prevent any of that from happening.

It seems likely that some of the bills under consideration would be tough votes for some Republicans no matter how the bills were drafted. But it's always possible for a party to construct bills so that it will be hard for members of the other party to vote for them. It's tempting to do so on popular policy questions — and there's no question that each of the topics Democrats are thinking about are generally popular.

Even if Democrats aren't really concerned about enacting the laws, they should resist the urge to try to produce a stalemate and blame it on Republicans. Congressional leaders tend to overvalue the electoral importance of messaging votes. Most of time, even unpopular votes in Congress aren't going to have large effects in November. During this period of partisan polarization, most voters are going to back their party no matter what happens. Those who don't tend to be the people who pay the least attention to politics, and that means they are less likely to absorb (or, perhaps, even care about) new information they learn in TV ads. And whatever voters learn about single votes must compete with all the other information that's out there.

It is true that heavy media coverage of an issue can help a party if it has an advantage with voters in that area. So it's possible that media coverage of bills passing and being signed into law would help Democrats this fall more than coverage of Republicans blocking popular legislation.

It's usually best for a party with unified government to pass whatever it can. Save messaging bills that aren't going to be enacted for divided government.

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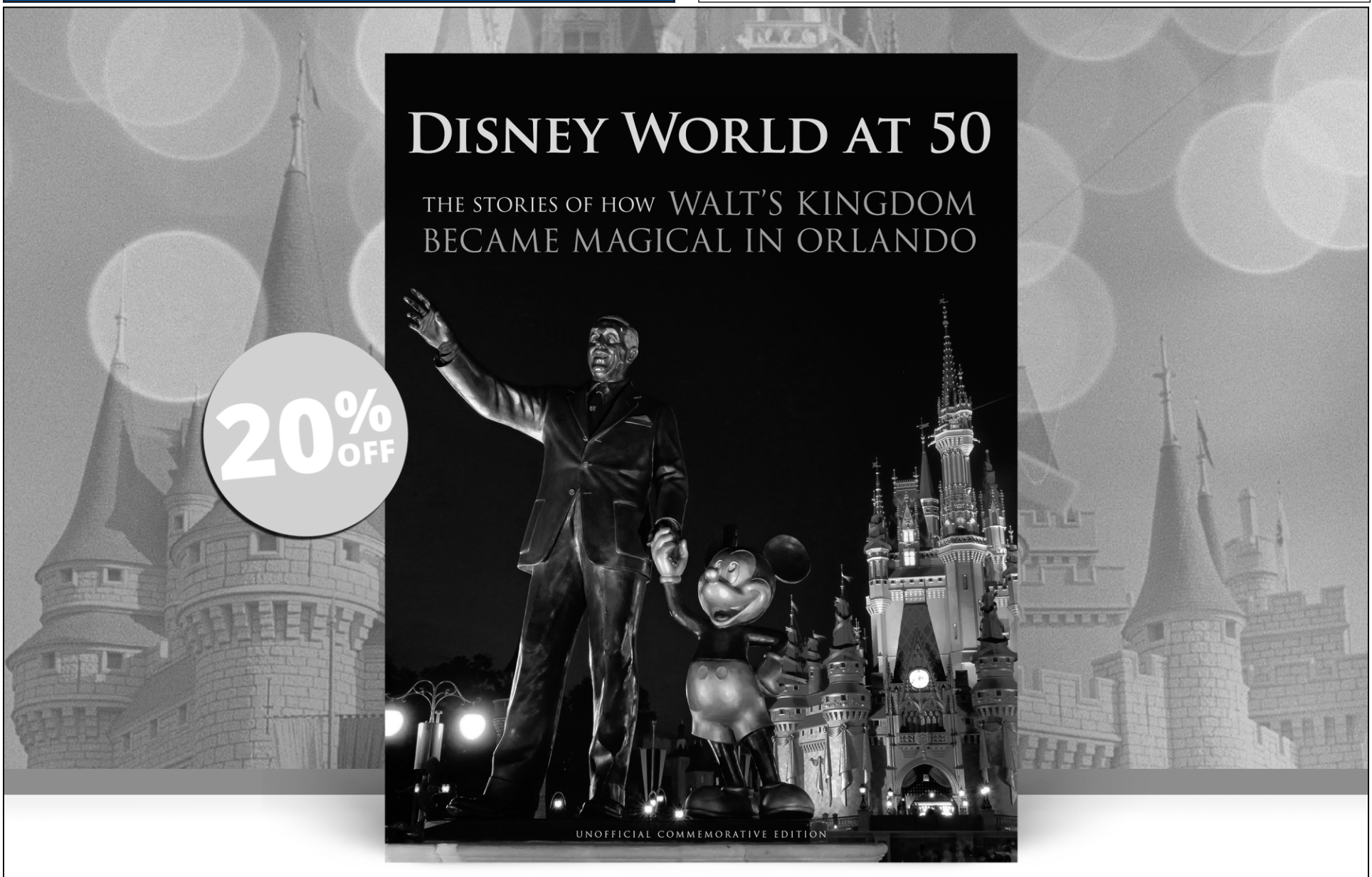

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A gritty, ensemble-powered "Pippin" is at Playhouse on Park through Aug. 21. **MEREDITH LONGO PHOTOS**

THEATER REVIEW

PASSION PROJECT

Playhouse on Park brings its saucy burlesque style to create an erotic 'Pippin'

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

An earthy, energetic "Pippin" at West Hartford's Playhouse on Park injects a sense of erotic mystery to the 1972 Stephen Schwartz musical that calls to mind some of the theater's homegrown cabaret revues. The effect is astounding.

You would think King Charlemagne would be the ruling monarch in the magic-to-do musical at the Playhouse through Aug. 21. Turns out it's Mama D.

Who? Well, Mama D is a fictional character who has overseen dozens of saucy cabaret revues at the playhouse in the last decade or so, from "Mama's D's Outrageous Romp" to "Mama's D's Hot Summer Nights." These racy, no-holds-barred, late-night compendiums of songs, dances, dirty jokes and weird tricks may be an acquired taste, definitely not for kids or prudes, but they are also a defining element of the multi-faceted Playhouse on Park.

Darlene Zoller, who plays the lingerie-clad hellion hostess Mama D herself in those coarse cabarets, is both the director and choreographer of this "Pippin." It's clearly a passion project. More than passion: lust. As with the many Mama D shows she's devised, she's given the musical a wondrous, dangerous energy. The show has a loose, risky, playful atmosphere where you honestly believe anything can happen.

Shannon Cheong as Pippin, with Thao Nguyen as The Leading Player lurking in the background.

Zoller has taken the outre, outrageous, salacious and sardonic styles she's honed for those cult cabaret events and applied them directly to a tightly scripted history-based musical with songs by "Godspell" and "Wicked" composer Stephen Schwartz. It's a match made in a special kind of purgatory.

Zoller knows the wild style she wants for this production, and she knows exactly how to achieve it. There's a dirty, grubbed scuffed-leather chic to the whole show. The cast achieves a similar scruffiness in its performance. It all creates a crazed yet comfy environment that settles you through its lack of slickness. Then, when a big dance routine, battle or assassination comes along, they hit you that much harder.

"Pippin"'s a special show. Like Schwartz's breakthrough musical "Godspell," which premiered in 1971 just a year before "Pippin", this is a musical fueled by deep spirituality, philosophy and folklore. It's entertaining and funny, but takes twisted dark turns to make its points about the futility of modern life and the inevitably of the destruction of civilizations.

The title character is the son of the over-achieving ruler and warmonger Charlemagne in 8th century Europe. The

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ARTS PICKS FOR JULY 17-23

Music of Billy Joel, Jimmie Vaughan

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

Here is our list of best bets for things to do for the week of July 17 to 23. Make plenty of space for the bands without spaces in their names! Mewithoutyou is playing New Haven, OneRepublic and Needtobreath are on the same bill at Mohegan Sun Arena. Meanwhile, a band that doesn't even bother with vowels, STRFKR, is in New Haven on July 17.

Wider open spaces beckon as well, namely the lawns at the Simsbury Performing Arts Center, where the Hartford Symphony Orchestra performs with Billy Joel tribute artist Michael Cavanaugh, and the Xfinity Theatre, where The Backstreet Boys return July 17.

Meanwhile, guitarist Jimmie Vaughan hasn't given himself much space between Connecticut gigs, playing three venues in four nights.

STRFKR

College Street Music Hall, 238 College St., New Haven

The Portland, Oregon indie band STRFKR released two albums in 2020 and last year put out a 10th anniversary edition of its major label debut "Reptilians." STRFKR plays at College Street Music Hall July 17 at 7:30 p.m. with a couple of neopsychedelic opening acts, The Undercover Dream Lovers and Das Kope. collegestreetmusichall.com.

Backstreet Boys

Xfinity Theater, 61 Savitt Road, Hartford

Backstreet's back! — and how many times since the '90s has that been said? Backstreet Boys brings their "DNA Tour" to the Xfinity Theatre July 17 at 7:30 p.m. Australian singer/songwriter Delta Goodrem is the opening act. $22-$455. concerts.livenation.com.

Halestorm

Hartford HealthCare Amphitheater, 500 Broad St., Bridgeport

Halestorm, featuring siblings Lzzy and AreJay Hale, won a Grammy for Best Metal Performance for its 2012 single "Love

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Connecticut museums and galleries offering exhibits

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

Connecticut is rich with art galleries, museums and artists in all corners of the state, with gorgeous and engaging exhibits opening every week. Venues that are open to the public, as well as outdoor exhibits, are listed. Visit their websites for social distancing and masking rules.

Hartford County

Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, 600 Main St. in Hartford: "Naama Tsabar / MATRIX 189: Melodies of Certain Damage (Opus 6)" and "Hamilton: The Art of Remaking History" are up to Sept. 11. "Edward Russell Thaxter: Love's First Dream" is up to July 31. thewadsworth.org.

Hartford Art Space Gallery, 555 Asylum St.: "Art for AIDS," the annual art grab benefit for medical research, will be July 23 starting at 7 p.m. Winner's Circle, at $500 admission, will be the first people to choose art. Exclusive VIP, at $250 admission, will be the second group to choose art. VIP, at $125 admission, will be the third group to choose art. General admission, at $75, will be the fourth group to choose art. facebook.com/hartfordartspacegallery.

New Britain Museum of American Art, 56 Lexington St.: "30 Americans," a show of portraits of Black people by Black artists, is up to Oct. 30. Artists are Nina Chanel Abney, John Bankston, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Mark Bradford, Nick Cave, Robert Colescott, Noah Davis, Leonardo Drew, Renée Green, David Hammons, Barkley L. Hendricks, Rashid Johnson, Glenn Ligon, Kalup Linzy, Kerry James Marshall, Rodney McMillian, Wangechi Mutu, William Pope.L, Rozeal, Gary Simmons, Xaviera Simmons, Lorna Simpson, Shinique Smith, Henry Taylor, Hank Willis Thomas, Mickalene Thomas, Kara Walker, Carrie Mae Weems, Kehinde Wiley and Purvis Young.

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"Sunflower Quilting Bee" by Faith Ringgold is on exhibit at University of Saint Joseph through Sept. 3. **FAITH RINGGOLD/UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH**

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"Mildred Thompson: Cosmic Flow" is up until Nov. 27. "North America Divided," which pairs 19th-century landscapes and genre scenes with works by contemporary artists Neil Jenney and Valerie Hegarty, is up until March 2023. "American Art in New Britain: The Evolution of the NBMAA" is up until Oct. 1. "Eva LeWitt" is up until Nov. 11, 2023. "Cowboys, Detectives, and Daredevils: Pulp Art at the NBMAA" is up until Aug. 7. The Helen Frankenthaler virtual reality space is now on view. nbmaa.org.

Real Art Ways, 56 Arbor St. in Hartford: "Real Wall: Traé Brooks" is up until July 24. "Dreaming in Black & White Deep Pool" is up to Aug. 28. "Odds and Ends Steven Laschever" is up until July 17. "Dishonest Dancers Jesús Hilario-Reyes" is up until Aug. 21. realartways.org.

Main Street in Hartford: A stroll down Main Street provides ample artworks to view. In front of the library, there is a sculpture by David Hayes and a statue of Mark Twain. Between City Hall and Wadsworth Atheneum is Alexander Calder's massive red "Stegosaurus." In front of the Atheneum are a newly refurbished statue of Nathan Hale and sculptures by Conrad Shawcross, Tony Smith and William Turnbull. Across the street from the Atheneumn is Carl Andre's "Stone Field Sculpture." Also across the street from the Atheneum is the Bushnell Towers sculpture garden. thewadsworth.org.

New England Air Museum, 36 Perimeter Road in Windsor Locks: An exhibit about New England women who made significant contributions to the history of aviation will be on permanent display. neam.org.

Marlborough Town Hall, 26 North Main St.: Work by Carol Jeffries is up until December. marlborougharts.org.

Connecticut Historical Society, One Elizabeth St. in Hartford: "Formative: Frederick Law Olmsted in Connecticut" is up to Aug. 28. "Common Struggle Individual Experience: An Exhibition About Mental Health" will be up until Oct. 15. chs.org.

Hill Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road in Farmington: "Radical Spirits: Tarot, Automatism, and Feminist Histories," an exhibit of work by members of the feminist art collective Hilma's Ghost, will be up to Nov. 1. hillstead.org.

Galleries @ WORK_SPACE, 903 Main St. in Manchester: "The Art of Recovery," work by artists impacted by addiction, is up to Aug. 19. workspacemanchester.com.

Gallery 66, 66 West Main St. in New Britain: An exhibit of mosaic and stained-glass art by Martha Dawkins and Nancy Talbot, will be up until July 22. facebook.com/Gallery66NewBritain/

Kent Library, 50 North Main St. in Suffield: Work by Joe Lanier will be up until July 31. suffield-library.org.

Farmington Valley Arts Center, 25 Arts Center Drive in Avon: "Untamed: Wildlife Art" is up until July 30. "Summering: FVAC Studio Artist Exhibit" is up to Aug. 27. artsfvac.org.

ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main St.: "Gateway to Places We're Told We Cannot Go: Christa Whitten" is up from July 15 to Aug. 27. hplct.org.

Windsor Art Center, 40 Mechanic St.: "8th Annual Member's Exhibition" opens July 23 and runs until Sept. 3. windsorartcenter.org.

Gallery on the Green, on the town green in Canton: The 62nd Anniversary Exhibition and a solo exhibit by Richard Allen Cohen are up to Aug. 6. galleryonthegreen.org.

Hans Weiss Newspace Gallery at Manchester Community College, on Great Path Road: Spring Arts Festival is up to Aug. 24. manchestercc.edu/hans-weiss-newspace/

Avon Town Hall, 60 West Main St.: A spring/summer exhibit of 29 artworks will be up until Oct. 15. avonarts.org.

Tapestries by Ukrainian artist Olha Pilyuhina are on exhibit at Carriage Barn Arts Center in New Canaan. **OLHA PILYUHINA/CARRIAGE BARN ARTS CENTER**

Art Gallery at University of Saint Joseph, 1678 Asylum Ave. in West Hartford: "A Summer Selection: Works from the Collection" is up until Sept. 3. usj.edu/arts/art-museum.

Chase Family Gallery at Mandell JCC, 335 Bloomfield Ave. in West Hartford: Photographs by Mallorie Ostrowitz are up until Aug. 26. mandelljcc.org.

Lost Acres Vineyard, 80 Lost Acres Road in North Granby: Work by Diane Olean Bannon is up until Aug. 7. lostacresvineyard.com.

New London County

Hygienic Art Galleries, 79 Bank St. in New London: "This is Us," work by Rebecca Fowke, Dame Fk, Stephanie Gerald, Kern Bruce, Mere Doyen and Nicki Arciolinda Bonanno, is up from July 15 to Aug. 12. hygienic.org.

Gilbert V. Boro Studio 80 + Sculpture Grounds, 80 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: The sculpture grounds, with works by Boro and other artists, is on private property but is open to the public. Boro asks guests not to enter any buildings. A YouTube video about the grounds, part of the Smithsonian Channel documentary series "America: Over the Edge," can be seen at gilbertboro.com.

Mystic Seaport Museum, 75 Greenmanville Ave.: "Story Boats: The Tales They Tell" is up to Aug. 14. mystic-seaport.org.

Florence Griswold Museum, 96 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "Dana Sherwood: Animal Appetites and Other Encounters in Wildness" is up to Sept. 18. flogris.org.

Norwich Arts Center, 60 Broadway: The annual members show is up until July 26. norwicharts.org/exhibits.

Lyme Academy of Fine Arts, 84 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "111th Annual Exhibition of the Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts" is up until Aug. 20. lymeacademy.edu.

Lyman Allyn Art Museum, 625 Williams St. in New London: "Picturing Mystic: Views of the Connecticut Shoreline, 1890-1950" is up to Sept. 4. "Poetry in the Wild: Sculptures by Ana Flores" will be up all summer. "The Will to Change: Gathering as Praxis," an exhibit by Nasty Women Connecticut in honor of bell hooks, will be up until Aug. 12. lymanallyn.org.

Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "Water All Around Us," work by artists age 3 to 18, is up to Aug. 12. lymeartassociation.org.

Thames River Gallery, 329 Bank St. in New London: "Eye of the Beholder," an exhibit of seven local artists — Thomas Adkins, Lisa Miceli, T.R Mockler, Brechin Morgan, H. Gray Park IV, Howard Park and Len Swec — will be up until Sept. 17. instagram.com/thamesrivergalleryct.

LaGrua Center, 32 Water St. in Stonington: "13th Annual Stonington Artists Show" is up to Sept. 23. lagruacenter.org.

Mystic Museum of Art, 9 Water St.: "Norman Rockwell's Saturday Evening Post Covers: Tell Me a Story" and "Missing Narratives" are up to Sept. 18. mysticmuseumofart.org.

Fairfield County

Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, 258 Main St. in Ridgefield: "Melvin Edwards: Asafokra" is up until Sept. 5. "52 Artists: A Feminist Milestone" is up to Jan. 8. aldrichart.org.

The Glass House, 199 Elm St. in New Canaan: The historic home of architect Philip Johnson is open for outdoor tours. "Pliable Plane: Anni Albers" is up until Dec. 13. "David Hartt: A Colored Garden," with paintings by Charles Ethan Porter and a new film by Hartt, will be up until Nov. 14. theglasshouse.org.

Greenwich Art Society, 299 Greenwich Ave.: The Setting Scoliosis Straight Foundation presents "43 Degrees: A Solo Exhibition by Ava Lee" to July 21. greenwichartsociety.org.

Silvermine Arts Center, 1037 Silvermine Road in New Canaan: The 2022 Guild Summer Salon, an exhibit of work by more than 100 Silvermine members, will be up to Aug. 18. silvermineart.org.

Bruce Museum, One Museum Drive in Greenwich: "Permanent Science Galleries: Natural Cycles Shape Our Land" is up until the end of the year. brucemuseum.org.

Center for Contemporary Printmaking in Mathews Park, 299 West Ave. in Norwalk: "8th Biennial FOOTPRINT International Exhibition 2022" and "Shop Swap: East London Printmakers at CCP" are up to Aug. 28. contemprints.org.

The Gallery at Still River Editions, 128 East Liberty St. in Danbury: "The Inner Sanctums: Gene Moore" will be up to Sept. 30. stillriverededitions.com.

Hollis Taggart Southport, 330 Pequot Ave: "Abstract Ascension: Dana James, Kathryn MacNaughton and Anna Pietrzak" is up to Aug. 31. hollistaggart.com.

Loft Artists Association, 575 Pacific St. in Stamford: The annual member/guest exhibit is up until July 31. loftartists.org.

Housatonic Museum of Art, on the campus of Housatonic Community College, 900 Lafayette Blvd. in Bridgeport: "Vincent Baldassano: To Be Continued" will be up to July 22. museum.housatonic.edu.

MoCA Westport, 19 Newtown Turnpike: "Women Pulling at the Threads of Social Discourse," a collaboration with The Contemporary Art Modern Project and the Fiber Artists Miami Association, will be up to Sept. 4. Artists include Laetitia Adam-Rabel, Alissa Alfonso, Carlos Bautista Biernnay, Nancy Billings, Liene Bosquê, Pip Brant, Carola Bravo, Mabelin Castellanos, Melissa Dadourian, Camille Eskell, Susan Feliciano, Molly Gambardella, Amy Gelb, Joseph Ginsberg, Jac Lahav, Maria Lino, Laura Marsh, Sooo-z Mastropietro, Caitlin McCormack, Shelly McCoy, Jeanne Jaffe & Molly McGreevy, Norma Minkowitz, Aurora Molina, Valeria Montag, Chiara No, Evelyn Politzer, Rosana Machado Rodriguez, Alina Rodriguez Rojo, Damian Rojo, Margaret Roleke, Debora Rosental, Rosario Salazar, Yolanda Sanchez, Natalia Schonowski, Leslie Sheryll, Silvana Soriano, Maru Ulivi, Rita Valley, Lisu Vega, Laura Villareal, Joan Wheeler, Silvia Yapur and Wendy Wahl. mocawestport.org.

Stratford Library, 2203 Main St.: "Stuff I See," photograph by Nicole Irene, is up until July 31. stratfordlibrary.org.

City Lights Gallery, 265 Golden Hill St. in Bridgeport: "OutWork," an exhibit coinciding with Bridgeport's annual Pride festival, will be up from July 23 to Sept. 10. citylightsgallery.org.

Carriage Barn Arts Center, Waveny Park, 681 South Ave. in New Canaan: Tapestries by Ukrainian artist Olha Pilyuhina will be up until July 30. carriagebarn.org.

New Haven County

Artspace, 50 Orange St. in New Haven: "Lino Kino: Completely Familiar, Entirely Free," a show of work by Lani Asunción, Amira Brown, Saskia Globig, Michael Ipsen, Kyuri Jeon, Micah Lat, Matt Lavine, Anna Lindemann, Shelby Meier, Fred Schmidt-Arenales, Jessica Smolinski and Sonnie Wooden, addresses the historic and continued roles of industry and advertising in shaping urban spaces. It is up from July 16 to Sept. 10. artspacenh.org.

Palestine Museum US, 1764 Litchfield Turnpike, Suite 200, in Woodbridge: The museum is open by appointment only at palestinemuseum.us.

NXTHVN, 169 Henry St. in New Haven: "From the Outside In," a show of work by Kaitlyn Higgins, Lauren Wiedenmann, Sofia Carrillo, Nelly Torres, Jaiden Shoulders, Ashlynn Topper and Sereen Mezzane, is up to Sept. 4. nxthvn.com.

Gallery 53, 53 Colony St. in Meriden: "Frank A. Lamphier, Jr. & Justin Piccirillo: A Journey Through Meriden History," an exhibit of political cartoons, is up to July 23. gallery53.org.

Henry Whitfield State Museum, 248 Old Whitfield St. in Guilford: "Weld-Built: The Guilford Architecture of William E. Weld" is on view until December. portal.ct.gov/ECD-HenryWhitfield-StateMuseum.

New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Ave.: "Strange Times: Downtown New Haven in the COVID Era," "Children of the Elm City," "Factory" and "The Quantum Revolution: Handcrafted in New Haven" are on view. newhavenmuseum.org.

Ely Center for Contemporary Art, 51 Trumbull St. in New Haven: "Suzanne Anker: After Eden" and "Amerikrainian Flags: Recent works by Jay Bright" are up through July 17. elycenter.org.

Kehler Liddell Gallery, 873 Whalley Ave. in New Haven: "Lost/Found: Over 65 Artists Consider What They Have Either Lost or Found," is up to July 31. The artists are Alicia Afonso, Mark Battista, Robert Bienstock, Dawn Bisharat, Marsha Borden, Chris Bordenca, Amy Browning, Frank Bruckmann, Bill Butcher, William Butcher III, Louise Cadoux, Allen Camp, Susan Clinard, Alison Cofrancesco, Penrhyn Cook, Rod Cook, Robyn Cooper, Kit Curry, Amanda Duchen, Riley Dunbar, Carol Dunn, Thomas Edwards, Joe Fekieta, Chris Ferguson, Brian Flinn, Julia Forrest, Julie Fraenkel, Jake Gagne, Sean Gallagher, Jeffrey Gangwisch, Kelley Griffin, Matthew Garrett, Eddie Hall, Heidi Harrington, Kate Henderson, Ann Hodgdon-Cyr, Kate Pollard Hoffmann, Mary Janacek, Karen Kertesz-Sklar, Earl Killeen, Oxana Kovalchuk, Terrence Lavin, Marta Machabeli, Sven Martson, Janice Mauro, JoAnne McFarland, Roy Money, Nancy Moore, Michelle Morgan, Hilary Opperman, David Ottenstein, Hank Paper, Rujuta Paradkar, Dionne Pia, Barbra Ringer, Matthew W. Robinson, Mark K. St. Mary, Preeti Garg Schaden, Franklin da Silva, Lisa Toto, Basia Tov, Gabriela Vazquez, Amanda Walker, Gar Waterman, R.F. Wilton, Marjorie Wolfe, Amie Ziner and Lou Zucchi. kehlerliddell-gallery.com.

City Gallery, 994 State St. in New Haven: "Incarnations: Roberta Friedman, Sheila Kaczmarek, Lenny Moskowitz" is up to July 31. city-gallery.org.

Perspectives Gallery @ Whitney Center, 200 Leeder Hill Drive in Hamden: "Storytellers," a show of work by Kwadwo Adae, Matthew Best, Jenn Cacciola, Mary Dwyer, Anya Kotler, Melissa Sutherland Moss and Joan Wheeler, is up until Sept. 9. "Storytellers: Part II," work by Kwadwo Adae, Matthew Best, Jenn Cacciola, James Cofrancesco, Tyler Cofrancesco, Mary Dwyer, Anya Kotler, Melissa Sutherland Moss and Joan Wheeler, is up until July 17. "Amerikrainian Flags: Recent works by Jay Bright" is up until July 17. elycenter.org.

Guilford Art Center, 411 Church St.: The annual Ceramics Biennial is up until July 31. guilfordartcenter.org.

Mattatuck Museum, 144 West Main St. in Waterbury: "The Immigrant Suitcase Project: Italians of Waterbury" is up until Oct. 31. "An American Lens: A History of Photography in Waterbury" is up until Dec. 31. "Shipwrecks: Duty of Memory," a show of photographs by Stefano Benazzo, and "The Garden" will be up to Aug. 28. "Mystery & Benevolence," an exhibit on the histories of the Freemasons and the Independent Order of the Odd Fellows, is up to Sept. 4. "Beyond Fraternity: Charitable and Community Organizations in Waterbury" is up to Aug. 21. mattmuseum.org.

Yale Center for British Art, 1080 Chapel St. in New Haven: "Bridget Riley: Perceptual Abstraction" is up until July 24. "Marc Quinn: History Painting +" is up until Oct. 16. britishart.yale.edu.

Yale University Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel St. in New Haven: The permanent collection is on view. artgallery.yale.edu.

Susan Powell Fine Art, 679 Boston Post Road in Madison: "Summer in New England" is up to Sept. 5. Artists are Kathy Anderson, Del-Bourree Bach, Paul Beebe, Peter Bergeron, Zufar Bikbov, Kelly Birkenruth, David Dunlop, Neal Hughes, Tom Hughes, Carol Jenkins, Andrew Lattimore, James Magner, Anne McGrory, Leonard Mizerek, Deborah Quinn-Munson, Dennis Sheehan, Jeanne Rosier Smith, Katie Swatland, and George Van Hook. susanpowellfineart.com.

Middlesex County

Spectrum Art Gallery, 61 Main St. in the Centerbrook section of Essex: "Fun and Pleasure" will be on exhibit from July 22 to Sept. 10. spectrumartgallery.org.

The Space Gallery, 1 Main St. in Chester: "Contemporary Show" by River Valley Artists is up to Aug. 31. rivervalleyartists.com.

Katharine Hepburn Museum, at the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center at 300 Main St. in Old Saybrook: Artifacts from the life and career of Katharine Hepburn are on permanent display. thekate.org.

Litchfield County

Kent Art Association, 21 South Main St.: "The President's Show" is up until June 26. Artists include Karen Bahrenburg, Paola Barri, John Berube, Anne Harriet Carew, Mary Anne Carley, Carl Chaiet, Arline Corcoran, Connie Horton, Judith Beringer Hraniotis, Clara Janzen, Amanda Lynne, Joan Macfarlane, Xiang MacFarlane, Katushka Millones, Brandan McNamara, Juan Moreno, James Napoleon, William Noonan, Joseph Oliveri, Michaela Penna, Anna Petranich, Barbara Ripps, Chandra Rogers, Denise Schlesinger, Shawn Sullivan, Diana Voyajolu, George Voyajolu and Trudy Walter. kentart.org.

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St. in the Falls Village section of Canaan: "Gail Jacobson: In the Night Garden" is up to July 29. huntlibrary.org.

Five Points Gallery, 33 Main St. in Torrington: "Dendrites: Balam Soto & Mary Anne McCarthy," "Red Sky in Morning: Kasey Ramirez" and "Drawn to Code: Gene Gort" are up to July 30. fivepointsarts.org.

Five Points Art Center, 855 University Drive Torrington: Sculptures by Don Gummer are on view. fivepointsarts.org.

Furnace Art on Paper Archive, 107 Main St. in Falls Village: "Gary Stephan: This There" is up to July 24. furnace-artonpaperarchive.com.

Washington Art Association, 4 Bryan Memorial Plaza in Washington Depot: Work by Philip Grausman will be up to July 24. washingtonartassociation.org.

Kenise Barnes Fine Art, 7 Fulling Lane in Kent: "Weather," a show of paintings by Susan English, is up to Sept. 4 kbfa.com.

American Mural Project, 90 Whiting St. in Winsted: Mural dedicated to American working people, five stories high and 120 feet wide, is open for viewing Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. $12, $10 seniors, $5 students, ages 4 and younger free, $25 for a season pass. americanmuralproject.org.

Carol Corey Fine Art, 6 North Main St. in Kent: "Matthias Meyer" Along the Shores" is up to July 17. "Lisa Lebofsky: On the Horizon" is up from July 23 to Sept. 4. carolcoreyfineart.com.

Tolland County

William Benton Museum of Art, 245 Glenbrook Road at UConn in Storrs: "Tradition and Transformation: Mithila Art of India" is up until July 31. benton.uconn.edu.

Homer Babbidge Library on the campus of UConn in Storrs: "Beth Pite, Colorscapes" and "Awake: The Art & Design of Anthony Foronda" are on view through the end of summer. lib.uconn.edu/about/exhibits/.

Ballard Institute Museum of Puppetry, at 1 Royce Circle at UConn in Storrs: "Swing into Action: Maurice Sendak and the World of Puppetry" will be up to Dec. 16. bimp.uconn.edu.

Arts Center East, 709 Hartford Turnpike in Vernon: "4th Annual Signature Members Exhibit" is up to July 23. artscentereast.org.

Windham County

Top Shelf Gallery at Fletcher Memorial Library, 257 Main St. in Hampton: "Work by Jane Collins" is up until June 30. Work by Scott Rhoades runs to Aug. 31. fletchermemoriallibrary.org.

Windham Historical Society, 627 Main St. in Willimantic: Sculptures by Richard Jaworowski and David Corsini, will be on view July 17 from 1 to 3 p.m.

The Art Gallery in the Fine Arts Instructional Center, Room 112, at Eastern Connecticut State University, 83 Windham St. in Willimantic: "Imagined Places, Inhabited Spaces" is up until Sept. 2. Artists in the show are Adrienne Chadwick, AdrienneRose Gionta, Rod Faulds and Lydia Viscardi. easternct.edu/art-gallery.

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'Pippin'

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musical is the tale of Pippin's journey to adulthood, filled with quotable pop-philosophical insights such as "Every son is disloyal to his father."

If you know "Pippin" — especially if you know it from community and college productions and not the shiny, effects-laden Broadway revival of a few years ago — then you know it's a true ensemble show. The best casts interact easily and casually, getting along as a tight vibrant community not afraid to rub up against each other.

That's because the show's two big full-ensemble routines are a war and an orgy.

The war is no less a conflict than The Crusades, and is presented as a deft dark mix of mime and modern dance. The result is miraculously neither pompous nor cloying.

It's the orgy, however, that crystallizes everything that is right about this "Pippin." The whole show is about Pippin's coming of age as a leader and as a thoughtful, well-rounded human being. This scene is about him being introduced to sex. Zoller stages it as a swinging '60s go-go dancing fever dream, accented by amusingly abstract (and non-explicit) acts of carnal coupling. The show's nine-piece orchestra, led by Zoller's longtime "Mama D" music director Colin Britt, brings a sonic fury to the swirling sinister psychedelia, taking the whole show to a higher level of psychological intensity.

The best thing Zoller's "Pippin" and her "Mama D's" follies have in common is a sense of eroticism that isn't based on old-world ideals and stereotypes. The sensuality is diverse, diffuse, disorienting and genuine. There's a shadowy mystery to this journey.

Having nailed all the key moments of the first act, the much shorter second act charges through with great confidence. There are a lot of tonal shifts as Pippin seeks to find himself, but the cast has created an unrelenting momentum and they ride it.

There are some unnecessary imbalances, but they're slight. As the Lead Player — a narrator character who also takes on a lot of pivotal supporting roles in the drama — Thao Nguyen has a slinky, well-heeled charm that evokes the Master of Ceremonies in "Cabaret," but he also sets the character too far apart from the other actors onstage. Nugyen stands outside the ensemble so prominently that it hurts some moments when he must integrate with them.

As Pippin, who is established as a poor candidate for becoming a soldier or hero, Shannon Chong is every bit as muscular and handsome and fit as the actor (Brad Weatherford) playing his combat-ready dim-bulb of a brother, Lewis. There's no real physical contrast between the siblings, even though it's talked about a lot. The two old and wise and silly characters in this multi-generational drama, Pippin's dad Charlemagne (Gene Choquette) and Pippin's grandmother Berthe (SuEllen Estey) happily don't overplay these already over-the-top roles, but they don't find other ways to distinguish themselves, and Berthe's big number "No Time at All" gets awfully tedious.

Stand-outs among the ensemble include Ryan Byrne, who is magnetic as a mere background player in the first act even before he takes on a key role of a young boy, Theo, in Act Two. You could say the same of Hartford-based actor Julia Solecki, who is the understudy for Theo and can be inexplicably riveting as a peasant. Dalton Bertolone is a key figure in all the best dance routines. Leyland Cockerl-Patrick brings fresh interpretations to fleeting roles that other performers might never see such potential in. Teagan La'Shay, Rae Janiel, Oleode Oshotse and Stephanie Reuning-Scherer all bring a special heat and energy. There's no room to single out every member of the 16-strong cast, but the biggest compliment you can give any of them is that they exist as strong recognizable individuals who can also quick-change into a new role in a nanosecond, then become a group of pastoral villagers, or angry mob of revolutionaries, without anybody grandstanding.

Fans of traditional productions of "Pippin" will likely be disappointed by the lack of magic tricks. Removing the illusions is a bold choice, but in practice it streamlines the show, with fewer distractions.

The raggedy leather and linen costume designs by Vilinda McGregor, which are more underworld than Renaissance Faire, are sumptuous, and the large, powerful band plays with rock/R&B chops.

"Pippin" is a show about a lost soul, yet this rendition knows exactly what it's doing. "Pippin" rules.

"Pippin" runs through Aug. 21 at Playhouse on Park, 244 Park Road, West Hartford. Performances are Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. $45-$55; $2.50-$52.50 for students, seniors and military. playhouseonpark.org.

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Blues rock guitarist Jimmie Vaughan will perform July 20 at Infinity Hall in Hartford, July 21 at The Warehouse at Fairfield Theatre Company and July 23 at Infinity Hall in Norfolk. **BRIAN HINELINE/SPECIAL TO THE MORNING CALL**

The Backstreet Boys will perform July 17 at Xfinity Theater in Hartford. **GETTY**

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Bites (So Do I)." Halestorm is touring with several other hard rock bands with female singers: Pretty Reckless (from New York, fronted by former child actress Taylor Momsen), The Warning (from Mexico) and solo rocker Lilith Czar. July 20 at 6 p.m. at the Hartford HealthCare Amphitheater in Bridgeport. $24-$139.50. hartfordhealthcareamp.com.

Jimmie Vaughan

Multiple locations

Jimmie Vaughan, the blues rock guitarist who rose to fame with the Fabulous Thunderbirds in the 1970s and '80s has three shows in the state this week: July 20 at 8 p.m. at Infinity Hall, 32 Front St., Hartford ($38-$48, infinityhall.com); July 21 at 8 p.m. at The Warehouse at Fairfield Theatre Company, 70 Sanford St., Fairfield. ($848, $43 FTC members, fairfieldtheatre.org); and July 23 at 8 p.m. at the other Infinity Hall, 20 Greenwoods Road West, Norfolk ($75-$85, infinityhall.com).

'Pippin'

Madison Lyric Stage, 581 Boston Post Road, Madison

The latest of two "Pippin"s playing in the state this month is performed July 21 to 31 by Madison Lyric Stage in a large tent on the lawn outside the Deacon John Grave House, 581 Boston Post Road, Madison. Performances are Thursday and Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m. $55. madisonlyricstage.org.

Mewithoutyou and Why?

College Street Music Hall, 238 College St., New Haven

The Philadelphia art-rock outfit mewithoutyou, which traffics in spiritual and religious themes, has been trying to disband for years. They announced a farewell tour in 2020, but it was delayed by the pandemic. Now you can finally say goodbye to mewithoutyou July 22 at College Street Music Hall. A duo touring version of the solo act Why? opens. collegestreetmusichall.com.

OneRepublic and Needtobreathe

Mohegan Sun Arena, 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard, Uncasville

The pop-rock act OneRepublic has been around for over 25 years now. "Counting Stars" hitmakers got a song, "I Ain't Worried," on the "Top Gun: Maverick" movie soundtrack. The Christian rock band Needtobreathe opens. July 22 at 7 p.m. at Mohegan Sun Arena. mohegansun.com.

Gordon Lightfoot

Infinity Hall, 32 Front St., Hartford

His hits ran the gamut of '70s folk and soft-rock styles, from the nostalgia of "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald" and "Canadian Railroad Trilogy" to the poetic pop hits "If You Could Read My Mind," "Sundown" and "Early Morning Rain." Gordon Lightfoot deserves an intimate listening room space like Infinity Hall Hartford, July 22 at 8 p.m. $85-$95. infinityhall.com.

HSO: The Music of Billy Joel

Simsbury Meadows, 22 Iron Horse Blvd., Simsbury

The Hartford Symphony Orchestra's Talcott Mountain Music Festival continues July 22 at 7:30 p.m. with an orchestral tribute to Billy Joel, featuring Michael Cavanaugh — the singer/pianist who starred in Broadway Billy Joel musical "Movin' Out." $32.50; $27.50 in advance; $5 children lawn seat. $50 table seats. simsburymeadowsmusic.com.

Matt Violinist

Live@Atrium Bar & Lounge, Foxwoods, 350 Trolley Line Blvd., Mashantucket

Bronx-born Matt Violinist is, in fact, a violinist, specializing in classical/Caribbean fusion. He's also a videographer, dancer and writer. One of his main occupations is DJ, and he'll be spinning 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at the Live@ Atrium Bar & Lounge at Foxwoods Resort Casino. foxwoods.com.

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Clinton Vicks purchased a 1925 home in his hometown of Albany, Georgia, in 2020 and now hosts dining experiences on the property. **JERMAINE JACKSON/AIRBNB**

State histories worth telling

Agritourism trail stops hosted by Black farmers with ties to Georgia

By Ligaya Figueras
The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

ALBANY, Ga. — Tucked behind the wrought iron gates that line the frontage at 801 Old Pretoria Road is the stuff that retreat-style getaways are made of: an 1851 mansion appointed in period furniture available for rent as a wedding venue or other private event; farm acreage dotted with grapevines, beehives and citrus trees; a long dirt road that leads to secluded, rustic guesthouses and an 85-acre lake surrounded by bald cypress trees draped in Spanish moss.

It's hard to imagine that such idyllic grounds were once a slave plantation.

Yet, the past and present of this 1,638-acre property, known as Resora and named to reflect resilience and resourcefulness, is worth showing and telling.

As part of the newly launched Southwest Georgia Agri-Tourism Trail promoted on Airbnb, visitors are encouraged to visit Resora and other destinations on the trail for an educational experience that sheds a light on the region's rich agricultural history. What makes the trail even more unique, considering its history, is that it is hosted by Black farmers with longstanding ties to the area.

The driving force behind Resora and the Southwest Georgia Agri-Tourism Trail is Shirley Sherrod. In 2010, she was forced to resign from her position as the Georgia State Director of Rural Development for the U.S. Department of Agriculture after Breitbart News broadcast some comments she made in a speech out of context, misconstruing her remarks as racist, and the video snippet went viral. Federal officials ultimately realized Sherrod had been misrepresented. She was issued an apology.

Now Sherrod serves on the newly established U.S. Department of Agriculture Equity Commission to address historical discrimination within the department and its programs. But she has been committed to serving the rural community of south Georgia for decades.

In 1968, Sherrod and her husband, the Rev. Charles Sherrod, co-founded New Communities, a nonprofit farm collective that became, at the time, the largest Black-owned landholding in the nation. Discriminatory loan practices ultimately led to foreclosure of the property in 1985, with 20 Black families impacted by the loss. A series of lawsuits and appeals dragged out for nearly 25 years, finally resulting in a $12 million settlement from the USDA in 2009.

Nearly a generation had passed since New Communities had dirt to dig in. To Sherrod, it meant "we had life again."

The search for another property on which to continue the New Communities mission led to the purchase of the former Tarver Plantation in Albany for $4.5 million in 2011. Sherrod didn't learn of its history as a slave plantation until a year after the sale. "I had a problem. I had a hard time grasping it," she said. "This was once a slave plantation. It was once owned by the largest slave owner and the wealthiest man in the state," she said, referring to Hartwell Hill Tarver.

Resora offers lodging at three cabins on the property in Albany. Stays can be booked via Airbnb. **AIRBNB/TNS**

As part of the healing process, they invited members of the Lower Muskogee Creek Tribe and other groups to perform blessing ceremonies on the land for three years.

During events held at Resora, New Communities publicly reclaims the injustices of the past by posting a large sign at the gate that states: "This land was owned by the largest slave owner in Georgia and is now owned by descendants of slaves."

Sherrod's goal for the Southwest Georgia Agri-Tourism Trail is threefold: to support participating farmers in accessing the economic opportunities of local tourism; to raise social awareness on the history and present-day needs of Black farming communities; and to promote racial reconciliation and healing.

The heart of the tourism component is Resora, where the former plantation house is available for retreats, conferences and weddings.

On the grounds are one- and two-bedroom, rustic-looking wood cabins a stone's throw from the tranquil waters of the cypress pond and a two-bedroom cottage near the mansion. Available for overnight stays through Airbnb, each cabin is fully equipped with modern kitchens, hardwood flooring and living and sleeping quarters with contemporary furnishings.

So far, the Southwest Georgia Agri-Tourism Trail offers two experiences. One is a tour of the farm at Resora that includes a wagon ride, giving visitors a close-up look at some of the 400 acres used for agricultural testing, site-learning and production, including a 200-acre pecan orchard, muscadine grape vineyard, satsuma grove, beehives and experimental plots for growing rice and truffles.

Tour guides weave in stories of the area's agricultural history, particularly the plight of Black farmers, and the community's role in the fight for racial equality dating back to the civil rights movement.

"We want this place to be available to all people, but especially Black people, to teach history and heal from it," Sherrod said. "Training, production, agriculture, culture, history, healing — we can see all of that happening at this site."

The second experience on the Southwest Georgia Agri-Tourism Trail is one that illustrates the best way Southerners know how to build community and bridge cultural understanding: sharing a meal. That's the experience Clinton Vicks offers.

A native of Albany, Vicks, 41, worked for nearly two decades as a performer and communications specialist in Washington, D.C., and New York. A few years ago, he returned to his roots to be near family, whose ties to farming date back four generations.

In 2020, Vicks purchased a 1925 home that sits on 5 acres. Naming it The Vicks Estate, Farm & Fishery, he set to work renovating the house and clearing the land. While those projects are ongoing (overnight lodging will be available beginning mid-July), his initial involvement in the trail is as host of "A Taste of the South," a barbecue cookout in his backyard.

Guests sit under the shade of patio umbrellas with a cold glass of Vicks' signature ruby red fruit punch as he lights up the grill. He invites participants to help with meal prep by plucking herbs from the garden or shucking corn. As he monitors jerk chicken and slabs of ribs, guests can play cornhole and horseshoes. During a tour of the property, he points out big picture plans to restore a pond and stock it with catfish, bass and bream; to build a barn to raise goats and chickens; to make a clearing in the pine forest to construct a stage for live performances.

He sees participating in the agritourism trail as an Airbnb host as a way to generate revenue to turn those dreams into reality while also being involved in the local community. "I am in a place where I want to come back and give back," he said.

Can't-miss vacation spots to explore by bicycle

By Lynn O'Rourke Hayes
FamilyTravel.com

The trend of exploring far-off destinations on two wheels continues to rise. Here are three ideas for your crew to consider.

Family biking in Italy: Savor gelato after cycling past grazing sheep and charming stone houses. Meet a four-legged truffle detective. Look forward to olive oil, fine wine and feasting on homemade pizza during your bike trip through Tuscany. Cruise past vineyards, cypress trees and iconic landmarks that make working your way up to the scenic hill towns worth every rotation. Have a gourmet picnic on a working farm. Visit picturesque villages, take watercolor lessons and steep yourselves in Italian art history.

Bike Block Island, Rhode Island: Relish ocean views, wildlife-filled salt ponds and the laid-back vibe of this scenic wonder. Mostly flat, smooth, paved roads make it possible for two-wheeling tourists to enjoy a wonderland the Nature Conservancy deems one of the "last great places" in the Western Hemisphere. Breathtaking views of Narragansett Bay, dotted with sailboats, add to the experience. You'll also enjoy fresh seafood, beach walks and learning about the local history.

Ride hut to hut in Utah: For a grand family adventure, consider a backcountry mountain biking experience through Utah's Color Country. The new Aquarius Trail Hut System offers five furnished huts — with fully stocked kitchens and other amenities — strategically places along the 190-mile route. Riders will roll from the peak of Brian Head, through Panguitch, Hatch and Bryce, past hidden lakes and spectacular vistas, down to the beautiful town of Escalante.

Cliffs off the coast of Block Island, Rhode Island. **DREAMSTIME**

Fond memories of a rare Vernazzan

Rick Steves

Vernazza has two halves, and in each half, every building is connected with every other building. **ORIN DUBROW/RICK STEVES' EUROPE**

Vernazza's strollable breakwater creates a little harbor, rare on this rugged Italian Riviera coastline. Grabbing a comfortable hollow in a boulder on the tip, I study the arrangement man and nature have carved out here over the past thousand years. Crumpled hills come with topographical lines: a terraced, green bouquet of cactus, grapevines and olive trees.

With a closer look, I notice that the hills silently simmer with activity. Locals tend their vines and hikers work up a thirst for the white wine these hills produce. It's autumn and the grape pickers' tiny train — the trenino — is busy ferrying grapes down into town from the highest terraces. This single silver rail line runs perpendicular to the terraces.

Vernazza has two halves, and in each half, every building is connected with every other building. These clumps of humanity are separated by one main street, which the townsfolk created by paving over the stream that carved out the ravine upon which the town was built. It's a commotion of pastel with dark stepped lanes and dank tunnels winding like veins on a leaf up each hillside until the buildings meet the vineyards.

Below my rocky perch, a fisherman cleans his nets. The cool mist that follows each crashing wave reminds me how easily this breakwater is conquered during winter storms. High above the breakwater, at the base of the castle, is a restaurant called Il Castello. This pricey place was my private little splurge back when I stretched my money by choosing popsicles over gelato.

Vernazza feels populated by descendants of the pirates who plundered this coast. But Lorenzo, who ran Il Castello, was a rare Vernazzan who didn't take advantage of tourists held captive by his town's beauty. He'd sit me down under an umbrella with the most commanding view in town. And with the love of a small-town priest, he'd put a cookie next to my glass of cool, sweet sciacchetrà wine, and say, "Rest here. The view is nice."

Cancer took Lorenzo quickly one winter. Now he's king of the Vernazza mountain. He's resting and enjoying the best view of all from a different kind of hotel, booked out by locals for years: the hilltop cemetery.

Leaving the harborfront, I climb the steep, stony staircase up to Il Castello. Monica, Lorenzo's daughter, who runs the place now with her husband Massimo, greets me warmly. Her black hair backlit by the sun, she seems to have an aura. Her penetrating eyes seem to really see me. She has Barbra Streisand lips and a bony nose. In her caring face I see Lorenzo, as if he were still standing there with a nice bottle of sciacchetrà.

I tell Monica that I've been thinking about her father and she suggests we visit the cemetery. Hiking through narrow back alleys that smell of damp cats, we reach the lane that leads uphill to the cemetery. After a funeral Mass, the entire village spills out of the church and trudges darkly up this same route. It's been a sad ritual for generations here in Vernazza.

At the top of the lane, a black iron gate is open. Inside, the cemetery is fragrant with fresh flowers. Quiet pathways separate marble walls of niches, stacked five high. Walking down a lane closest to the sea, Monica explains that coffins are not put into the ground but slid into a loculo. Squinting at a wall of niches, reflecting bright white in the late-afternoon sun, I review names and dates carved into the marble. Each niche is wired with a minuscule light and comes with a built-in vase. And next to each vase is an inset oval window filled with a black-and-white portrait.

Stepping around a rolling ladder — left out for loved ones with flowers for those resting on the top row — Monica arrives at her father's loculo. She leaves me long enough to cross herself. Then, turning toward the sea, Monica sits on a flat rock just big enough for two. Patting the other half of her perch, she invites me to sit down. She doesn't know it, but it's as if to say, "Rest here. The view is nice."

We ignore the red tiles, flapping laundry, and tourists lounging on the breakwater below. From here, enjoying what we call "Lorenzo's view," the world is peaceful green and reassuring blue, blending the sea and sky. To the left and right, I pick out each of the Cinque Terre towns along the coast. Each is alone in the world — seemingly oblivious to the march of time. I wonder what could possibly improve the setting. Then the church bells ring.

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CELEBRITY TRAVEL

Actor loves to get away in nature

"The Lake" actor Madison Shamoun said staycations are where it's at this summer. **BEN COPE/TCA**

By Jae-Ha Kim
Tribune Content Agency

Actor Madison Shamoun's latest role is opposite Julie Stiles in the Amazon Prime Video series "The Lake."

"I play a girl named Billie Barnes who is reluctantly spending the summer with her birth father in Canada," said Shamoun. "We filmed the entirety of the show in North Bay (in Northeastern) Ontario. It's a really small town a few hours outside of Toronto."

Q: Where else have you filmed on location?
A: I've shot (other projects) in the Mojave Desert, northern Ontario, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Q: What is your favorite vacation destination and what would you recommend tourists do there?
A: Picking a favorite anything is so hard. I really do love Paris, though. I would say get all the big touristy museums out of the way first so you can spend most of your time just walking around the city. Eat, eat, eat all the food. And if you're a fan of ramen, the best I've ever had in my life is from Naritake (Ramen). It'll change your life.

Q: What untapped destination should people know about?
A: Chiang Mai. It's in the northern part of Thailand and it is one of my favorite places I've ever been. It's a really affordable travel destination, but more than that some of the best street food can be found there. There are also many elephant sanctuaries where you can feed and wash and care for the rescued wildlife. And zipline!

Q: What's the most important thing you've learned from your travels?
A: Bring a friend who's been there before or make a friend that knows the language while traveling. Recommendations are always better than doing typical touristy stuff. That and always have some snacks on hand.

Q: Where are your favorite weekend getaways?
A: Staycations are where it's at. Monterey Bay, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Joshua Tree. Anywhere I can get a massage, eat some good food and be in a little bit of nature.

Q: If you've ever gone away for the holidays, which was the best trip?
A: I'll always remember my childhood Christmas in Vermont. We don't really get snow here in Southern California so it's just beyond magical to have a white Christmas. Going sledding, building snowmen, having snowball fights — (it's) truly just the best.

Q: Where would you like to go that you have never been to before?
A: Japan for sure. I want to go to Japan so bad. Greece is on the list, too.

Q: When you go away, what are some of your must-have items?
A: Digestive enzymes are definitely a must-have. You never know what food may upset your stomach and they're a lifesaver. I can't be without my phone case that has a built-in charger. And I always try to have snacks in my purse for emergencies.

Q: What is your guilty pleasure when you're on the road?
A: I kind of pretend I'm not gluten intolerant when I travel because I just love bread. And I have to try all the different kinds of bread out there.

Q: What kind of research do you do before you go away on a trip?
A: I kind of over-plan so that I can relax when traveling. So I make a bunch of lists, Google every restaurant, make a daily itinerary and then once I get there I kind of dial it back and just try to take it all in.

Q: What is your best and worst vacation memory?
A: One of the worst (was when) I was in France with my family. They were visiting me while I was studying abroad and I was set to fly home the day after Christmas. On Christmas Eve they left me to go vacation in Germany, so I spent Christmas alone in France. One of the best (was when) I spent like 24 hours in Rome with a friend from college. I think we each consumed 10,000 calories in that short amount of time. Pure bliss.

For more from the reporter, visit www.jaehakim.com.

TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

What to do with credit after Allegiant Air left my airport

By Christopher Elliott
King Features Syndicate

Q: I recently had to cancel a flight on Allegiant Air after having an accident. The airline sent me a voucher for $117.
Shortly after that, Allegiant announced that it was discontinuing service to our home airport, Cleveland Hopkins International Airport. I'm certain I will not be able to use this voucher.
I've sent Allegiant three polite emails asking for a refund, but it isn't responding. Could you help me get a refund?
— Bruce Sidaway, Independence, Ohio

A: You canceled your flight, so Allegiant did what it was required to do — it offered you a voucher for the amount of your ticket. But in late 2021, Allegiant said it would end its operations at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, citing higher costs of serving that market.

When an airline pulls out of a market, you're in a gray area when it comes to the consumer protection rules. There's no requirement under the Department of Transportation regulations to refund your ticket. But as a practical matter, airlines will often offer a refund when they no longer serve a destination.

Your case was a little unusual because Allegiant didn't respond to your emails.

I wondered why. They were brief and polite — and they were addressed directly to the vice president of operations.

I think that was the problem. For requests like this, you're better off going through the Contact Us page on the site at www.allegiantair.com/contact us.

Only after that should you have escalated your case to one of the Allegiant executives on my consumer advocacy site at www.elliott.org/company-contacts/allegiant.

Maybe Allegiant's customer service team thought you might be able to drive to Cincinnati, a city it still serves. Many travelers looking for a deal on an airfare would spend a little extra time in a car, but you indicated that a four-hour drive to the airport just isn't worth it. And besides, Allegiant sold you a ticket from Cleveland, not Cincinnati.

If an airline no longer serves your home airport, you should get a full refund for your ticket — or your ticket credit. It's common sense. I contacted Allegiant on your behalf.

"Your inquiry must have prompted the airline to finally respond," you said. "I received an unsigned email acknowledging their decision to refund the full amount of the voucher. The credit was applied to our credit card the next day."

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CELEBRITIES

Jonathan Knight, from left, Joey McIntyre, Jordan Knight, Danny Wood and Donnie Wahlberg of New Kids on the Block are seen on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles. **AMY SUSSMAN/GETTY**

NKOTB living 'best boy band life'

By Adam Graham
The Detroit News

The New Kids on the Block were still new kids on the block, relatively speaking, when the teen heartthrobs hit the Palace of Auburn Hills in Michigan on Dec. 2, 1989, for two sold-out concerts.

"Yeah, we used to do matinees back then, too," says band member Donnie Wahlberg, who fondly recalls that December day and meeting members of the Bad Boys, including Detroit Pistons coach Chuck Daly.

More than 30 years later, the Bad Boys are long gone and so is the Palace, but the New Kids on the Block are still hangin' tough. The Boston boy band has embarked on the latest iteration of its Mixtape Tour, this time featuring fellow '80s and '90s hit-makers Salt-N-Pepa, En Vogue and Rick Astley.

New Kids on the Block — with members Wahlberg, Jonathan and Jordan Knight, Danny Wood and Joey McIntyre — was a bona fide pop music sensation in the late '80s and early '90s. The band crashed the charts with nine Top 10 singles between 1988 and 1990, three of which went to No. 1.

The burnout hit just as quickly, and the group split up in 1994. But after more than a decade apart, NKOTB came back together in 2008, and have been reconnecting with fans ever since in ways it couldn't in the early days.

"When we were around the first time around, it was such mayhem that you really couldn't get close to fans. They would just rage — a happy rage," Wahlberg says.

With age, both for the band and for fans, comes a better understanding of the performer-audience relationship as well as a management of expectations. Now members can safely go out into the crowd, whereas before that would have meant being torn to shreds by rabid audience members.

The dynamic has led to a better, healthier connection with fans, Wahlberg says. "We don't strategically say, 'Hey, let's connect with our fans.' It's been established that that's what we do," says Wahlberg. "And I think we always try to give more every single time we go back out, and that's because the connection just grows deeper with the fans. And I think that's one of the reasons we've had more longevity this time than the first go-round."

NKOTB shows are still highly technical feats of choreography, and they're engineered to leave nary a moment of downtime from the entertainment of it all. So what's it like doing the teenage idol thing all these years later?

"The best reference is it's kind of like athletes," says Wahlberg, 52. "You hear athletes say the game slows down when you get a little older, and they're able to appreciate it more, and that's how it is for us. As kids, we were like rookies, the game hadn't slowed down. And it's all slowed down now, and I think we soak it up every night just as much as the fans."

The New Kids on the Block aren't stopping, that much is for sure; as long as its fans are still having a good time, its members are, too. "Whatever is to come is not in our hands, we just enjoy it," Wahlberg says. "We're living our best boy band life."

July 17 birthdays: Actor Donald Sutherland is 87. Bassist Geezer Butler is 73. Actor Lucie Arnaz is 71. Actor David Hasselhoff is 70. Producer Mark Burnett is 62. Actor Nancy Giles is 62. Singer Regina Belle is 59. Actor Bitty Schram is 54. Director F. Gary Gray is 53. Singer Luke Bryan is 46. Actor Tom Cullen is 37. Actor Billie Lourd is 30.

ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson
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Tragic events prompt a quest for normalcy

Dear Amy: I have recently experienced much tragedy in my life. Our family is reeling.

I had some very close family move away and have been mourning that; I very suddenly lost my uncle; my sister lost her baby at six weeks. I am walking a line between mourning and living my life.

I am young and tempted to just stay home and take care of my parents in their heartache, yet I am going crazy not going out, even if it's just sitting in a coffee shop for a few hours.

Don't get me wrong, I'm deeply hurting, too.

Do you have any advice for elegantly walking the line between grieving and living one's life?

— *Tightropes*

Dear Tightropes: Little about grieving is "elegant." In my experience, grieving involves ugly crying in the supermarket, rages that come out of nowhere and always losing my keys.

No two people should be expected to grieve alike.

If you accept your role in the family as being younger and perhaps a little more resilient right now than other family members, then yes — if you also allow yourself some healing (or even simply normal) experiences, you might be of greater service to them, while also renewing your own strength.

Furthermore, I think it might be good for your sister, especially (if she is local) if you bring her a cup of coffee from the coffee shop, ask her to take a walk with you and simply let her be however she needs to be in that moment.

Sometimes people who are grieving need to express their grief. Sometimes they need a few moments of "normal."

Understand also that ultimately your duty is to take good care of yourself.

Dear Amy: I am a woman in my early 40s. I have not had children for a number of reasons related to fertility, medical, personal and financial circumstances. Now, as I approach the end of my childbearing years, I grieve that I do not have children. But I am trying to move on and find other meaning in my life.

A friend from college who lives in another state often sends me pictures of her child. This friend is not that close, and she doesn't ask how I'm doing when she texts. Her text messages are an unwelcome reminder that I don't have children.

How do I tell her to stop sending me pictures, without going into details about the issues I'm dealing with?

The reasons are none of her business, and I don't feel like getting that detailed with her over text messages. Do you have a suggestion?

— *Childfree*

Dear Childfree: I'm not sure you can achieve what you want without offering an explanation of some kind. Keep in mind that a brief explanation ("I've dealt with fertility challenges and it upsets me right now to see photos of your child ...") would probably be effective.

Otherwise, you might try: "I'm wondering if you could do me a favor and not continue to text me photos of your child. It's just awkward for me since I don't know her."

This might bring on a response reflecting hurt feelings. There is some likelihood that she would stop texting you altogether, which might be your goal. She doesn't sound at all interested in you.

You also might want to "mute" text messages from this person.

Dear Amy: I'm responding to the question from "Mama's Baby, Daddy's Maybe," who was wrestling with telling her adult daughter that the man who raised her wasn't her biological father.

I am a 40-year-old man who recently found out through ancestry services that I was conceived with the help of a sperm donor. I found this a completely disorienting experience.

After a few months of soul searching, I came to love and appreciate my real dad — the man who bought me Christmas presents and taught me how to ride a bike — even more!

I am very grateful that my parents were still alive to process this with me.

I hope "Mama's Baby" understands that the shock of this discovery will be much harder if their child finds this out when Mom is no longer around to provide any back story.

— *Ishmael*

Dear Ishmael: Being confronted with this knowledge can be quite destabilizing. Thank you for offering your wise perspective.

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Aries (March 21-April 19): You may feel as if an invisible hand is directing you, and your intuition might be shouting out directions that don't totally make sense to you. Spontaneity can be rewarding if you allow yourself to trust the feelings rising inside you.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Trying to go it alone might be difficult. Whether or not you want to be a team player, you'll likely notice a lack of progress on projects where you're flying solo. Working with others might move faster than it normally would. Be a part of the community that's around you, and be open to the help that they can give you.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Your sense of security can grow stronger today. Your finances may improve with a bonus from a source that you weren't planning on, a gift from someone that you weren't expecting or a personal confidence boost in who you are. No situation is permanent.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): The universe has some hidden treasure you can now find. This treasure could be actual material or pearls of wisdom that can inform your point of view and guide you on your path through life. The people who are tried and true are likely to be the ones who will help you out the most.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): The ideal connection could be about to take shape for you. This may be a newfound romantic relationship. You're likely connecting in ways that you weren't expecting. Highly specific experiences from your past might be shared, or you could be working toward a common goal.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hard work will be highlighted today. You might have been working away in the shadows, or your name may not have initially been on a project, but the universe wants to spread the word about your real impact. If others heap praise on you, letting your ego inflate will be all too easy — so do your best to remain humble.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A new pastime could immediately resonate with you. You might feel as if something is missing from your life when it comes to the activities that you enjoy or games you play. Perhaps you haven't felt a delightful spark in a while, but that is likely about to change.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Family may play a large role today in your life. This may not be your biological family but rather the support system that you turn to when you need a shoulder to cry on. Think about the people you have deep emotional ties to, who feel like home when you talk to them.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can get to know someone better at the moment. Someone you've potentially been trying to grow closer to may be available to spend time with you, and now isn't the time to shy away. You might have another person to call your friend before the day is over.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A reward may present itself to you— but only after hard work. It might be surprising to finally receive it. On the other hand, you could start an entirely new project. This can inspire you after being trapped in any lackluster situations. Feel the light of your dreams glow inside you, and then chase that spark without fear.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A reward may present itself to you — but only after hard work. You could start an entirely new worthy project. This can inspire you after being trapped in any lackluster situations. Feel the light of your dreams glow inside you, and chase that spark.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): An important person is likely paying attention to you right now. You might want to put in extra effort when getting dressed today, as opportunities could present themselves based on the impression you're giving off. Your look can play into how others perceive you.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On July 17, 1918, Russia's Czar Nicholas II and his family were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began as right-wing army generals launched a coup attempt against the Second Spanish Republic.

In 1955, Disneyland had its opening day in California.

In 1981, 114 people were killed when a pair of suspended walkways above the lobby of the Kansas City Hyatt Regency Hotel collapsed during a tea dance.

In 2009, former CBS anchorman Walter Cronkite died in New York at 92.

In 2014, Eric Garner, a Black man accused of selling loose, untaxed cigarettes, died shortly after being wrestled to the ground by New York City police officers.

In 2020, civil rights icon John Lewis, died at the age of 80.

LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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SCRABBLEGRAMS

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P_3	A_1	L_1	P_3	A_1	T_1	E_1	RACK 3 = 61
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BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

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POND OCEAN
INLET HARBOR

JUMBLE

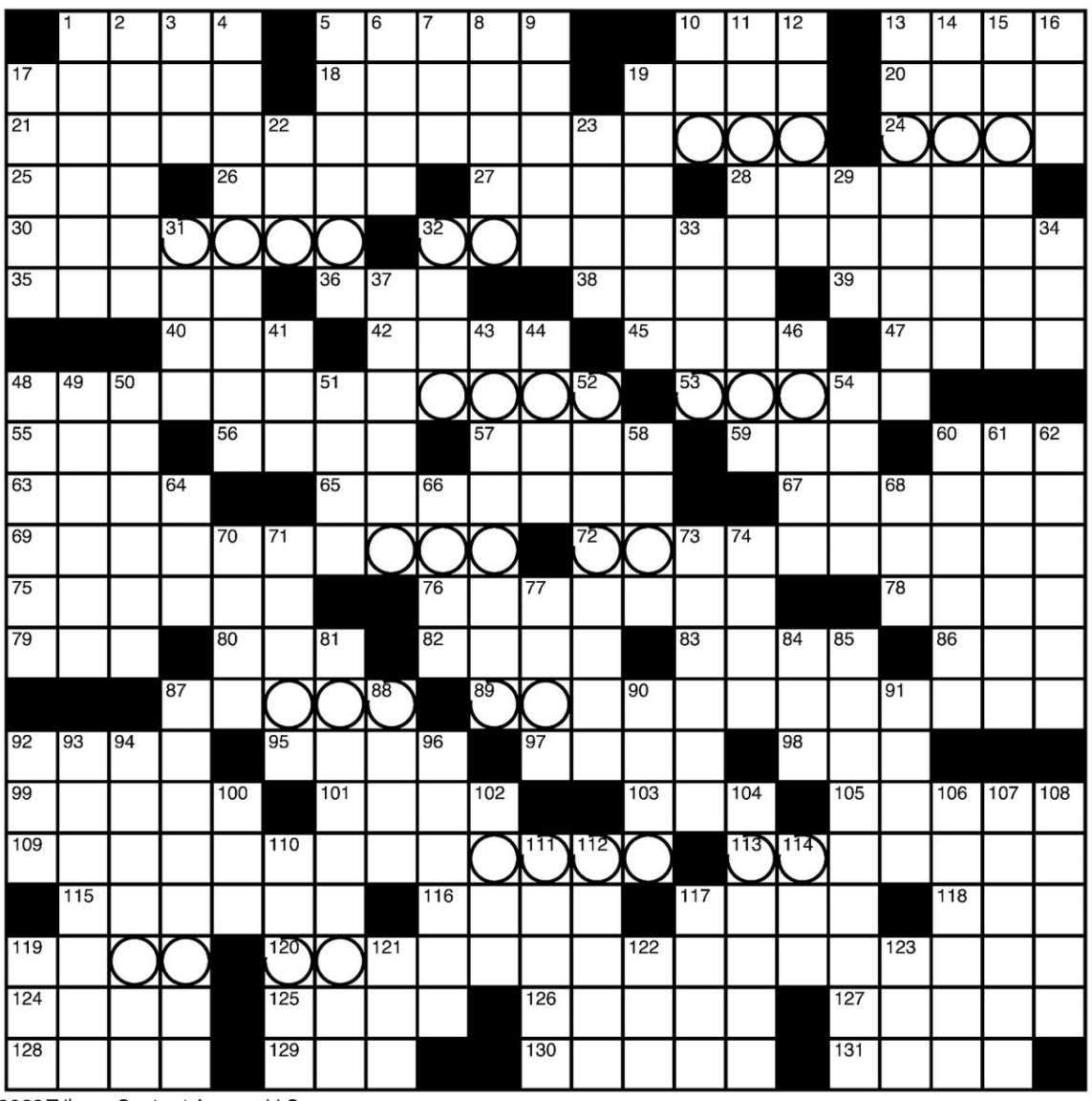
EIGHTY AUBURN
MODEST UPHELD
FRENZY SKETCH

Some of his wife's french fries had fallen out and into the bag. It was going to be —

FIND-"HERS" KEEP-"HERS"

All-Star Break

By Doug Burnikel & C.C. Burnikel



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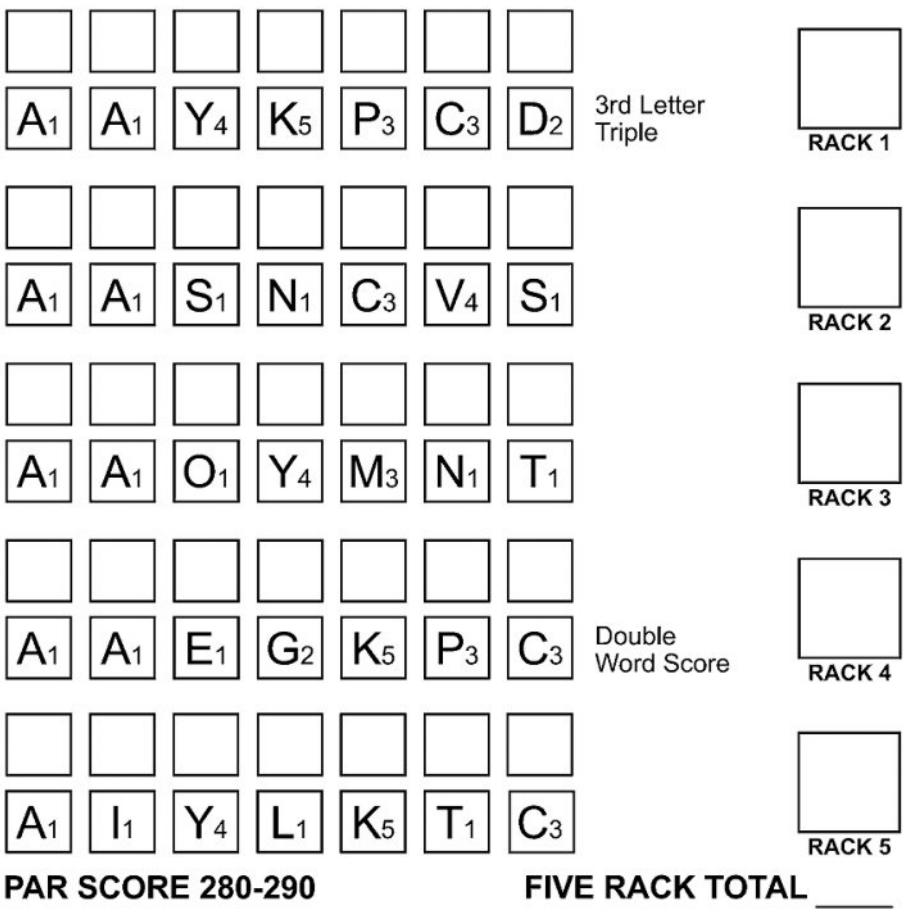
1. Lab warning
5. Provence city that inspired van Gogh
10. Duolingo, e.g.
13. One in a onesie
17. Mystical glows
18. __kebab
19. Utter delight
20. Ohio border lake
21. Stopped suddenly
24. Makes public
25. Initials between names
26. Dada
27. "Black Dog" singer Parks
28. Avoided a deer in the road, say
30. Summons for a certain assistant
32. Medication warning
35. "Let's do this!"
36. New Year celebrated with bánh chu'ng
38. Bic Clic __ pens
39. Truly bizarre
40. JFK alternative
42. Princess who wields a chakram
45. Place for a catnap
47. Statue bottom
48. "Marie Antoinette" director
53. Gets higher
55. Vietnamese soup
56. "I did it!"
57. Comfy slip-ons
59. Writer Anaïs
60. County fair animal
63. Stop on the Taj Express
65. The least bit
67. Jujitsu kin
69. Zen temple feature
72. Tide fluctuation
75. Work boot tip
76. Climbing needs
78. "Pretty please?"
79. Toss into the mix
80. "You hate to see it"
82. Attempt
83. Schedule info
86. Director Browning
87. Thyme unit
89. Many a Pro Bowl player
92. Paul who plays the Riddler in "The Batman"
95. Cat costume part
97. "My goodness!"
98. "Who, me?"
99. Like some watches
101. Maasai Mara antelopes
103. School in L.A.
105. Author Evelyn
109. News program format
113. Dessert with a crushed cookie crust
115. President after Jack
116. Per person
117. Court plaintiff
118. Ohtani's team, on scoreboards
119. Glowing review
120. Get an advantage over
124. Western Shoshone neighbors
125. Colonnade trees
126. Borden spokescow
127. Malt-drying kilns
128. Gets in a pool
129. Ginger paste amt.
130. Bench planks
131. Gumdrops brand

Down

1. Fried chicken container
2. Ordered displays
3. Issa of "Hair Love"
4. Persevering with
5. Barbecue receptacle
6. Seehorn of "Better Call Saul"
7. Kimchi jar top
8. "¿Cómo __?"
9. Clambake locale
10. Pie __ mode
11. Stabilizing appendage for a shark
12. Fizzle (out)
13. Grizzly youngsters
14. Short operatic piece
15. Cardinals' followers, say
16. "You betcha!"
17. Sapporo competitor
19. Cuts off contact with
22. Jam ingredient?
23. "What a shame!"
29. Fair-hiring letters
31. Recital high points
32. Sch. that hosts the Sun Bowl
33. J'adore perfumer
34. "Bessie" director Rees
37. Open more stores, say
41. Obamacare, initially
43. Propose for an award
44. __ tikki: potato patties
46. From China, e.g.
48. City-state known for its austerity
49. "Happy to hear it!"
50. Not natural
51. What hydrogen lacks
52. Feigned toughness
54. Oklahoma city
58. "¿Quién __?": Spanish "Who knows?"
60. "Jesus Christ Superstar" character
61. Emphatic denial
62. Miss a field goal attempt, say
64. "Best in Show" org.
66. Fish in Hamburg Aalsuppe
68. Largest fast-food chain in China
70. Sound of surprise
71. Not together
73. 64-Down concern
74. "The Thin Man" dog
77. Glass artist Chihuly
81. Bishop's paths
84. 20s source
85. Bathroom fixture
87. Post-marathon feeling
88. "Suits" actress Torres
90. Stretched tight
91. "Fuller House" actress Ashley
92. Cable alternative
93. "Is there still time?"
94. Former Seabee, say
96. Cough drops brand
100. Not yet settled, briefly
102. "Get lost!"
104. Two-door cars
106. Batting ninth
107. Titans
108. Coin flip choice
110. Word often used as a synonym for "thesaurus"
111. Dull pains
112. Snail's home
114. "The Pioneer Woman" host Drummond
117. Rotisserie part
119. Tofu steak coating
121. Little rascal
122. Erin Jackson's Olympic team
123. "Ni __": "Hello," in Hangzhou

SCRABBLEGRAMS

Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All words are in the Official SCRABBLE Players Dictionary, 4th Edition.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JUMBLE

By Jeff Knurek and David L. Hoyt
Tribune Content Agency

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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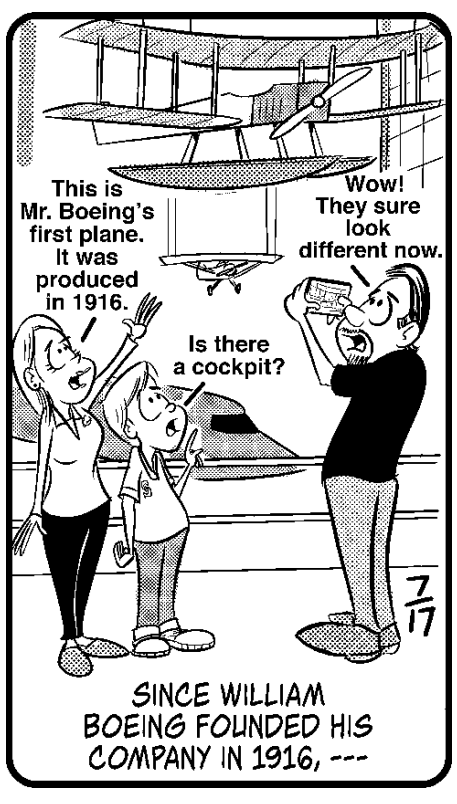
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Is there a cockpit?
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SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

By David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Instructions: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

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LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS, D6

MY PET WORLD

Encouraging a dog to use a pee pad, not the rug

By Cathy M. Rosenthal
Tribune Content Agency

When a dog pees on a rug, you must retrain it. Treat the dog like an 8-week-old puppy who is just learning the rules of the home, writes Cathy M. Rosenthal. DREAMSTIME

Dear Cathy: I have a 2-year-old female Havanese/Coton de Tulear mix. I live in Tucson, where many in my community have lost little dogs and cats to coyotes. So, I have had her use a potty pad since she was 8 weeks old. She never goes on the floor. But, if there is a rug, she will go on it. I've removed all my area rugs but would like to put them back. I have no idea how to break her of this habit. I think she just thinks of them as "luxurious potty pads!" Any suggestions?

— Joan, Tucson, Arizona

Dear Joan: Pee pads can be confusing to some dogs. If she has never relieved herself outside, then she only knows to go on something on the floor of your home. In this instance, she sees the rugs as a viable alternative to potty pads.

The only way to address this is to retrain her. This involves catching her relieving herself on the pee pad, using a clicker or a marker/reward word when she does to let her know she did something right, and follow up with a treat. You need to do this every day, as often as possible, for the next few weeks. Treat her like an 8-week-old puppy who is just learning the rules of the home.

After a few weeks, reintroduce one rug into your home and spritz it with Bitter Apple (available at pet stores and online). This scent should help discourage her from relieving herself on the rug. Also, be sure the pee pads are nowhere near any rugs or even in the same room with any rugs, as this could confuse her. When she successfully ignores that one rug and is consistent with the pee pads, then pull out the second rug, and repeat the process. Over time and with training, she should be able to differentiate between the two and understand which is the one she needs to be using.

Dear Cathy: My husband and I had to put to rest our 13-year-old male cat in April 2020. That same June, my husband agreed to host a 5-year-old all-black male shorthair for one year while his human went on active reservist duty outside of the country.

Due to life circumstances, he's still our house guest going into year three. When he arrived, he had a small, matted area of fur near his hind quarters. Over the first year, it grew. Concerned about his health, we took him to a local vet who stated that the issue wasn't one of health but grooming and that we should make an appointment with a groomer.

Fortunately, the vet brushed it out and encouraged us to try brushing him daily.

He is normally calm when picked up for short durations, but he's not having any part of being brushed. He attacks our hands and the brush, so we immediately stop. At issue now is a large, matted patch of fur on his back.

It looks horrible, and I imagine it must be uncomfortable. My husband wants to sedate him and then shave that area. I won't let him, but I am at a loss on what to do.

— Karen, Wantagh, New York

Dear Karen: If the matted patch is as bad as you describe, it could be tugging at his skin and causing discomfort for your kitty. You will need help from a professional groomer or your vet to cut or shave it off, as your husband suggests. Also, ask your vet if there are any health problems that could be contributing to this problem. Diet can play a part in the health of a feline's coat, so talk to your vet about switching to a diet that might better address this problem.

While training a cat to accept brushing can be challenging, it sounds like this feline needs some assistance with grooming. Try a pet grooming glove or grooming wipes instead of a brush to remove loose fur. These tools feel more like petting than brushing to a cat, so they are more likely to tolerate it. Use the mitt or one wipe daily and swipe their back a few times.

Over time, build on the amount of time your cat will tolerate being "petted" in this way, always stopping before you think he will react negatively. If you do this every day, he should eventually become more comfortable with this process, and you will be doing him a great service in keeping his fur healthy and tangle-free.

Cathy M. Rosenthal is an animal advocate, author, columnist and pet expert. Send your questions, stories and tips to cathy@petpundit.com. Please include your name, city and state. You can follow her @cathymrosenthal.

Theatrical mom transforms herself into role of landlady

Judith Martin
Miss Manners

Dear Miss Manners: I am currently living with my mother. Not wanting to freeload, I suggested that she charge me rent. She seemed surprised, and said she'd get back to me.

Later, she appeared in a rather formal outfit and said she was now my landlady. She spelled out my rental rate and terms; it was higher than I had planned on, but she conveyed such an air of authority that I didn't argue. When she was back to her normal self, I told her the rate was too high. She stepped out, returned as the "landlady" and asked what the problem was. I explained that the rate was more than I could afford; she told me I could either pay it or find somewhere else to live.

I decided to forget about the rent and hoped my mom would, also. However, I have now received notices of late rent and eviction. I haven't tried to talk with my mom about this; she is normally loving and supportive, but I'm afraid she will transform into the "landlady" and kick me out — or possibly sue me for the rent and late fees I already owe.

Should I pass my mom a note explaining that I love her, but I don't like her alter ego? That I can't afford the rate she is trying to charge, I would have trouble finding another place to live and I regret ever mentioning rent? Anything else I should include?

Gentle reader: An apology. Your mother has created this character and this entertaining little charade because she is hurt. The only way she knew how to deal with that hurt was to create an alter ego, devoid of sentiment, so that she could do the role justice.

Of course, Miss Manners realizes that you were only trying to pay your share, but to her, it may seem that you are ungrateful for her kindness. A heartfelt written apology can go a long way toward mending a problem — especially when role-playing no longer proves productive.

Dear Miss Manners: How should I handle appearing unexpectedly in the background of a young person's selfie? When I was at a restaurant and a patron seated at the bar began using her phone to take pictures of herself, I was not the intended target, though could see myself in the frame.

She seemed well within her dining rights to do so, though I was plagued with thoughts of my image appearing on a public social media site, undoubtedly mid-bite of an omelet.

Would it be permissible to make a polite request, or should I simply position myself discreetly out of sight?

Gentle reader: It is true that there is no privacy protection against being photographed when you are going about your business in public. And also that it is highly annoying.

Therefore you can only protect yourself with the use of persuasion, in the form of gently making the photographer realize that she is disrupting your meal. Miss Manners would follow both of your suggestions. In a pleasant manner, you could say, "I'll just get out of your way," and when she protests, you might add, "No, no, I'll finish my dinner when you're through." If the person has any sense of decency, that should not be long.

Dear Miss Manners: I'm in my mid-60s, and am encountering more and more situations where friends and family repeat the same stories. I guess I should consider myself fortunate that I can remember who I have told what, but I would appreciate a gentle way to remind someone that they have told me a particular story more than once, or that they told me the story the day before. I'm trying my best to be patient, but sometimes I just want to scream.

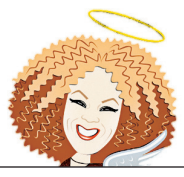
Gentle reader: Please don't. But neither do you have to sit through the same story over and over. The polite stop signal is "Oh, yes, I remember; I love that story." Miss Manners suggests beaming at the speaker and starting a related topic.

Dear Miss Manners: What is the polite way to refuse an invitation to stay in someone's home when it's someone you truly love and enjoy spending time with? My brother has a simply dreadful guest bed. Any nights sleeping in it — or, rather, not sleeping — make me regret visiting, but he's very dear to me. The last thing I'd want to do is hurt his feelings.

Gentle reader: "I'm a restless sleeper" — as indeed you told Miss Manners you are, when in that bed — "but just tell me what time to be over for breakfast."

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to missmanners.com or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

Fat shaming vs. body positivity



Ellen Warren
Answer Angel

Lizzo arrives June 26 at the BET Awards at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles. RICHARD SHOTWELL/INVISION

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I am a young plus-size woman. I am comfortable with my size and am taking advantage of the increasing number of fashion companies offering "extended" size options. My problem is my mom, who keeps harping on my weight. Telling her that I am comfortable and confident in my size and that she's hurtful doesn't do any good. Do you or your readers have any words that will resonate with her and end her fat shaming?

— Melissa K.

Dear Melissa: I applaud you for understanding yourself better, it appears, than your mom. While I might not have the right words that will turn mom's criticism off, there are some songs that support your good attitude. Here are two that I can't get out my head: Meghan Trainor's "All About that Bass" ("Yeah, my mama she told me don't worry about your size/ She says boys like a little more booty to hold at night/ And no I won't be no stick-figure, silicone Barbie doll/ So, if that's what you're into/ Then go ahead and move along"), as well as Lizzo's "About Damn Time" ("It's bad (expletive) o'clock, yeah, it's thick-thirty/ I've been through a lot but I'm still flirty"). And be sure to check out the music video of the Lizzo song on YouTube. Awesome. Let's hear it for body positivity. It's definitely in the air.

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I finally found a mousse that gives fabulous body to my very fine and thin hair. It's called got2b Fat-tastic Instant Collagen Infusion and was made by Schwarzkopf. The problem is that it's been discontinued and I'm almost out of it! Does anyone know of a mousse or other hair product with collagen? I dread the day (coming soon) when I won't have this to use! Thanks for any help from your readers!!

— Finally Liking My Hair!

Dear FLMH: Good news, kind of: You can still by your product (which is often unavailable) on amazon.com for a whopping $57.99. But there is a new version of the stuff, got2b Volumaniac Bodifying Mousse by the same company for $5.99, also on Amazon where there are other got2b products besides mousses that might suit your needs. As for any discontinued products, it is worth checking eBay where you often find them — at inflated prices. And here are some other mousses formulated for fine hair that you could try: DevaCurl Frizz-Fighting Volumizing Foam (devacurl.com, $29; amazon.com, $28) and Aveda Phomollient Styling Foam (aveda.com, $25; amazon.com, $24.99).

Angelic Readers Michele B. writes: "For the woman looking to pack light: She needs to ask what she really needs to take. I travel for three weeks in Europe and I can carry all in a carry-on and a small backpack. Your advice on clothing was spot-on. But most women go nuts when they get to accouterments! Makeup: Go to Ulta and get a small 3-4-color pallet, a mascara, a liner and a lipstick. All will fit in a sandwich bag! You don't need 30 eye colors and 12 lipsticks! Get a comfortable haircut and take just a hairbrush and maybe some mousse or sea salt spray to add style with a round brush. Only pack earrings 2-3 pairs, tops. No need to take the family jewels!

From Ellen: All good advice. Here's the most important thing I learned on my recent three-week trip overseas: Never check a bag! Research the carry-on luggage size maximums of every airline you'll be using and do not exceed them! Buy a smaller suitcase, if necessary.

Now it's your turn
Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to answerangelellen@gmail.com.

Should you tell employers about medical diagnoses?

Legal counsel does not recommend it, but one woman did with positive results

By Bruce Horovitz
Kaiser Health News

Ruby Gadelrab, left, founder of MDisrupt, hired Katie Coleman after Coleman openly shared her cancer diagnosis. Coleman's story has become a reminder to employers that a prospective employee's medical history is their own business. **MDISRUPT**

Katie Coleman stood face-to-face with a choice no job seeker should ever have to make. She could tell her prospective employer she had stage 4 kidney cancer, the most life-threatening stage of all.

Or she could stay mum.

She knew she risked losing any shot at the job by being honest about her diagnosis — or risked losing her self-respect by keeping quiet about it.

This may sound like the plot of an episode of "Grey's Anatomy." It's not. It's the decision that confronted the 31-year-old resident of Austin, Texas, who has been battling the deadly disease for nearly three years.

"The number of ppl advising me to not disclose my [diagnosis] is astounding," she tweeted in mid-April. The concern was that employers might worry about the costs and absenteeism that can result from such a condition — even though federal law prohibits employers from taking health issues into account when hiring.

Yet, while interviewing for the software engineering job she wanted, Coleman shared her diagnosis with the CEO of MDisrupt, an Austin-based company that connects clinicians and scientists with digital health companies.

Ruby Gadelrab, CEO and founder of MDisrupt, was unfazed. Moments after interviewing Coleman for a job, she tweeted: "Today I met a candidate who applied for one of our jobs, and she might just be the most inspiring person I have ever met."

Coleman's personal story is both hair-raising and hope-inducing. It took 18 months to get an accurate diagnosis in the first place, after eight doctors insisted she was too young for cancer and the real problem must be anxiety. Finally, on New Year's Eve 2020, an ultrasound performed in an emergency room helped determine she had metastatic renal oncocytoma, a rare form of kidney cancer, which became malignant only after it spread to her liver. Then she underwent extensive surgery to remove a 12-centimeter tumor from her right kidney and numerous tumors from her liver. In a second procedure, doctors burned tiny tumors off her liver that were too small to see during the first surgery. Coleman asked doctors at the National Cancer Institute to perform the surgery and procedure because they were the only ones she consulted who were willing to operate. She also knew they were interested in studying rare kidney cancers like hers.

None of this — not the surgery, the prognosis, her honesty — stopped Coleman from snaring her dream, nor MDisrupt from hiring her as a full-time software developer.

Coleman's experience has become something of social media lore as she shares updates about her cancer battle and her new job in posts on Twitter, YouTube, Instagram and TikTok. She's leaving a deep footprint across social media that she believes could help fellow cancer patients for years to come.

At the same time, her story has become a high-profile reminder to employers and job candidates that a prospective employee's medical history is their own business — unless they opt to share it.

The Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits asking prospective employees anything about their medical history — or using health issues as a basis for not hiring them, said Joyce Walker-Jones, senior attorney and adviser at the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Walker-Jones does not recommend sharing medical information with potential employers. "If an applicant knows they have a serious medical condition, they do not have a duty to disclose it — even if they will need reasonable accommodations if they get the job," she said.

In that regard, Coleman threw caution to the wind.

She applied for the job at MDisrupt because a recruiter who'd spotted her cancer-be-damned social media posts approached her. Gadelrab said she wasn't aware of Coleman's cancer battle and never asked about her health. But Coleman opted to share her story.

"I look at my diagnosis as my greatest strength," Coleman said. The type of tumor she has is almost always benign, but in her case, it wasn't.

Since fall of last year, she has been off treatment and said she is on "active surveillance," monitoring with scans to keep a close eye on a few suspicious spots too small to treat.

She also is on a personal mission to destroy her cancer — in part by keeping digital tabs on all the twists and turns in her medical journey with an app she built. Coleman started working on her app concept after her surgery but before her liver procedure in 2021.

The app allows her to keep track of her doctors — and everything else she needs for her care — in one place. She shared her creation for other patients to use free of charge. Gadelrab "really liked that I was building a positive out of a negative," Coleman said.

Gadelrab said she seeks three critical qualities — none health-related — in new employees: passion, purpose and potential. She said she found all three in Coleman.

"Katie was so passionate. She has a way of communicating her empathy towards providers and patients that's different from others," said Gadelrab. "That is exactly the kind of thinking that we need to have as a company: empathy for our users. Katie came in with that."

Still, Coleman was hesitant about taking the job once she got the offer. She was waiting for yet another critical cancer scan. She was nervous about leaving a company that had been good to her. And she was anxious about changing insurers. Then, something unexpected persuaded her to accept the offer.

While at home packing her bags to go to the hospital for the scan — which the folks at MDisrupt knew was coming — she heard a knock at her door. When she answered, she saw a huge bouquet of orange roses — the color that signifies kidney cancer awareness. It was from MDisrupt. The note said: "Good luck on the scans."

She took the job.

Coleman's first day was in late April. She works from home but visits the office once or twice weekly for group gatherings. She doesn't recommend that all people with serious illnesses be so open with prospective employers.

"My advice is to first do the research on the company that you want to work for and know that they will be supportive," she said.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Hawthorn may be helpful for maintaining heart health

By Joe Graedon, M.S., and Teresa Graedon, Ph.D.
King Features Syndicate

Scientific evidence supports the use of hawthorn extract for people with mild to moderate heart failure. **DREAMSTIME**

Q: Could you comment on the value of taking hawthorn berry tincture for heart health? Are there any studies on this?
A: Hawthorn herbal products have been used to treat cardiovascular problems in China since 659 A.D. (Frontiers in Pharmacology, Feb. 21, 2020). Researchers have found that hawthorn can relax blood vessels, lower blood fats, reduce inflammation and fight oxidation. These all suggest that hawthorn could be helpful for heart health.

A review of the evidence of a specific hawthorn extract, WS 1442, considered clinical trials as well as nonclinical research and post-marketing reports (American Journal of Cardiovascular Drugs, February 2018). It is used to help moderate blood pressure and normalize heart rhythm. The authors concluded that the scientific evidence supports the use of this extract for people with mild to moderate heart failure. One reader was taking prescription pills for high blood pressure. The doctor reluctantly agreed to let the patient try hawthorn tincture. To her surprise, the blood pressure was under good control after six weeks. Anyone who considers using hawthorn extract or tincture should work with a physician to make sure the desired results are achieved.

Q: When I was a kid, the dermatologist burned warts off my fingers with some sort of electric needle device. Later, as an adult, a different dermatologist used liquid nitrogen to freeze off a wart. Now my grandson has a wart. I have seen over-the-counter products that use some sort of gas to create cold temperatures on an applicator. How well do they work to eliminate warts?
A: There are at least two different options that use cold for home treatment of warts. One type of device uses dimethylether and propane, as for example, in the Compound W Freeze Off device. In the other type, cold is generated from nitrous oxide in the device. Compound W NitroFreeze utilizes this approach.

European dermatologists investigated how well these ingredients work on common and plantar warts in a small study (Dermatology and Therapy, June 2018). After three applications, 70% of the warts treated with nitrous oxide had disappeared compared to 46% of those treated with dimethylether/propane. That difference is significant, and the investigators concluded that the nitrous oxide device is a safe and effective wart treatment for home use.

Q: Should women take metformin to prevent breast cancer even if they are not diabetic? I have read that this diabetes drug might have anti-cancer benefits.
A: A review of metformin to prevent breast cancer reveals a range of results (International Journal of Molecular Sciences, March 2022). In some studies, metformin appeared to help, especially against estrogen receptor-positive tumors. In other studies, however, this insulin-sensitizing drug had no preventive impact.

For treating breast cancer, women with diabetes who take metformin seem to do better. A new randomized controlled trial recruited 3,649 women with breast cancer but no diabetes (JAMA, May 24, 2022). The eight-year follow-up results were disappointing. Women who were randomized to take metformin were no more likely to avoid cancer complications than those on placebo. Unless research uncovers more positive results, there is no compelling reason for a woman without diabetes to take metformin.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Q&A

Endometrial ablation an option for endometriosis treatment

Mayo Clinic

DREAMSTIME

Q: I've been diagnosed with endometriosis and have heavy menstrual bleeding. My health care provider said I should consider endometrial ablation. A friend told me it might be problematic because I'm only in my late 20s, and it could affect my ability to conceive a child down the road. What are the risks? Are other treatments available?
A: Endometrial ablation can reduce heavy menstrual bleeding significantly. But you should consider the risks associated with this procedure, especially if you are suspected to have endometriosis based on pelvic pain.

Women are sometimes given a diagnosis of endometriosis based on symptoms, including pelvic pain and heavy periods, but definitive diagnosis is only possible with biopsy or excision of lesions. If endometriosis is confirmed with surgery, then the recommendation for treatment is excision of the endometriosis.

Alternatives to surgery for endometriosis can include hormonal suppression with pills, an intrauterine device, subdermal implants or injections. While endometriosis has no cure, these treatments can reduce symptoms to a more manageable level.

During your period, your body sheds the lining of your uterus, called the endometrium. When periods become unusually heavy on a regular basis, the condition should be evaluated.

In general, producing enough blood to soak through a pad or tampon every two hours or less is considered heavy flow. Heavy menstrual bleeding often is treated initially with hormonal suppression. But it also can be treated with endometrial ablation.

Endometrial ablation destroys the uterine lining. The procedure usually is conducted using instruments that deliver heat or extreme cold to the endometrium. After endometrial ablation, many women still have periods, but they are much lighter.

Age is a major factor in how likely you are to experience problems after endometrial ablation. Age plays a role because ablation techniques rarely destroy all of the endometrium, and the endometrium has a tendency to regenerate prior to menopause. The younger a patient is when she has endometrial ablation, the longer the endometrium has to grow back and the more opportunities there are for complications to arise.

When age is the only consideration, research shows that the ideal ablation candidate generally is older than 40. Endometrial ablation is typically not recommended after menopause.

One consequence of endometrial ablation is that scar tissue forms within the uterus after the procedure. Because of that, if you have abnormal bleeding after endometrial ablation it can be more challenging for your provider to treat the cause of the bleeding. The scar tissue also can obstruct menstrual flow. In some cases, that causes pain.

If abnormal bleeding or persistent pain presents after endometrial ablation, surgical removal of the uterus — a hysterectomy — may be necessary.

Given your age and potential pregnancy plans, endometrial ablation would not be recommended. Pregnancies following endometrial ablation are high-risk for both the mother and her baby.

For younger women like yourself, other effective treatments outside of ablation are available to ease heavy menstrual bleeding, including hormonal medications, birth control pills and intrauterine devices. Discuss all your options with your health care provider to decide which choice is best for you.

— Christopher Destephano, M.D., Obstetrics and Gynecology, Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, Florida

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BookTok supercharges word-of-mouth sales

Readers sharing their recommendations on TikTok helps create year's best sellers

By Elizabeth A. Harris
The New York Times

Many of this year's bestselling books have something in common, but it's not any of the usual factors: a famous or long-established author, a tie-in with a movie or TV show.

It is TikTok.

Early last year, the publishing industry began to notice that the books readers were gushing about on TikTok — the social media platform that traffics in short videos — were showing up on bestseller lists. Publishers were surprised, authors were surprised, even the readers making those TikTok videos were surprised.

A year later, the hashtag #BookTok has become a sustained and powerful force in the world of books, helping to create some of the biggest sellers on the market.

Books by Colleen Hoover, for example, became a sensation on TikTok, and Hoover is now one of the bestselling authors in the country. NPD BookScan, which tracks the sale of most printed books in the United States, said that of the 10 bestselling books so far this year, Hoover has written four.

TikTok has "made the transition from a novelty to a real anchor for the market," said Kristen McLean, executive director of business development at NPD Books. "The whole idea of dominating supermarket shelves, dominating airport stores, dominating the front tables at bookstores, it's just not really where it's at in the same way."

Now one of the commanding forces in adult fiction, BookTok has helped authors sell 20 million printed books in 2021, according to BookScan. So far this year, those sales are up another 50%. NPD Books said that no other form of social media has ever had this kind of impact on sales.

BookTok is not dominated by the usual power players in the book world, such as authors and publishers, but by regular readers, many of them young, who share recommendations and videos of themselves talking about the books they love, sometimes weeping or screaming or tossing a copy across the room.

The most popular videos don't generally offer information about the book's author, the writing or even the plot, the way a traditional review does. Instead, readers speak plainly about the emotional journey a book will offer.

And that, it turns out, is just what many people are looking for, said Milena Brown, marketing director at Doubleday.

"'This is how it makes me feel, and this is how it's going to make you feel,'" Brown said, describing the content of many of the videos. "And people are like, 'I want to feel that. Give it to me!'"

In essence, BookTok supercharges something that has always been essential to selling a book: word-of-mouth.

"I think one person can put it on the radar, but it takes the rest of BookTok chiming in and going big with it to really make a book succeed," said Laynie Rose Rizer, assistant store manager at East City Bookshop in Washington, D.C., who has 70,000 followers on the platform. "Once the word starts spreading, that's how a book becomes big."

Books that take off there are mainly fiction and are generally a few years old. This is unusual in publishing, where most titles, if they have a burst of sales at all, see it right out of the gate.

Sales were initially concentrated among young adult titles, but BookTok is now even more powerful in adult fiction, according to BookScan. Romance is another major category, followed closely by science fiction and fantasy. But even classics like "Wuthering Heights" and "The Great Gatsby" get some TikTok love.

Another beneficiary of TikTok enthusiasm is writer Madeline Miller. A former high school teacher with a master's degree in classics, Miller's most successful book is "The Song of Achilles," a love story between two young men, Achilles and Patroclus.

Writer Madeline Miller, who is seen June 29 in Pennsylvania, saw her book, "The Song of Achilles," a love story between two young men, sell 2 million copies across all formats after taking off on TikTok. **CHRISTOPHER LEAMAN/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

It was published in 2012 with an initial print run of 20,000 copies. This month, its publisher, Ecco, announced it had sold 2 million copies across all formats.

Miriam Parker, Ecco's associate publisher, said this type of sales record for a book like "The Song of Achilles" is more than remarkable. "It never happens," she said. "This is a book about the Iliad!"

Miller, who has another book, "Circe," that has also been popular on TikTok, said she is now taken more seriously in the literary world because of her work's higher profile. The sales also came as a relief during an extremely challenging time.

When the pandemic began, her speaking and touring opportunities dried up, and she thought she might need to go back to teaching to earn a living. Since February 2020, she has been struggling with long COVID-19 and was concerned about her ability to work, she said.

Having "Song of Achilles" catch fire on TikTok allowed her to take care of herself and her family, and to keep working on her next novel.

"It really has changed my life," she said. "It has given me the time to write, to continue to be a writer."

Some of TikTok's success in selling books can be traced to bookstores, which started paying attention to which books were gaining traction on the platform, McLean said.

Barnes & Noble in particular caught on early; many of its stores put out tables with a selection of trending titles. Those displays spread the word about BookTok to new readers, and the cycle continued.

Barnes & Noble stores have their own TikTok channels, as do many publishers. Publishers also send TikTok creators free books or pay them to make videos about certain titles.

But as powerful as BookTok has become, it's difficult for publishers to harness it as a sales tool.

"It's not one video that makes a book explode in sales," said Brown from Doubleday. "It's this grassroots explosion of people creating the videos and then organically, by word-of-mouth, it grows from there."

Getting an author on the platform, for example, is also no guarantee of a book's success. It's not even a requirement.

"I am still not on TikTok," Miller said. "I remain very bad at social media."

NATIONAL BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. "Lore Olympus, Vol. 2" by Rachel Smythe (Random House Worlds) *Last week: —*

2. "The Hotel Nantucket" by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown) *Last week: 1*

3. "Rising Tiger: A Thriller" by Brad Thor (Atria/Bestler) *Last week: —*

4. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: The Last Ronin" by Bobby Curnow, Kevin Eastman, and Tom Waltz (IDW) *Last week: —*

5. "Sparring Partners" by John Grisham (Doubleday) *Last week: 3*

6. "Suspects" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte) *Last week: 2*

7. "Escape" by James Patterson and David Ellis (Little, Brown) *Last week: 4*

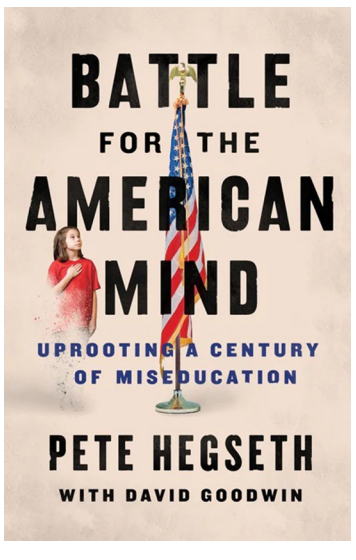
8. "Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow" by Gabrielle Zevin (Knopf) *Last week: —*

9. "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus (Doubleday) *Last week: 12*

10. "The Measure" by Nikki Erlick (Morrow) *Last week: 6*

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. "Battle for the American Mind: Uprooting a Century of Miseducation" by Pete Hegseth (Broadside) *Last week: 1*



2. "The Power of One More: The Ultimate Guide to Happiness and Success" by Ed Mylett (Wiley) *Last week: 9*

3. "How Are You, Really?" by Jenna Kutcher (Dey Street) *Last week: 4*

4. "Killing the Killers: The Secret War Against Terrorists (Bill O'Reilly's Killing Series)" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (St. Martin's) *Last week: 7*

5. "Finding Me: A Memoir" by Viola Davis (HarperOne) *Last week: 10*

6. "Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connection and the Language of Human Experience" by Brené Brown (Random House) *Last week: 11*

7. "Not My First Rodeo: Lessons from the Heartland" by Kristi Noem (Twelve) *Last week: 3*

8. "Scars and Stripes: An Unapologetically American Story of Fighting the Taliban, UFC Warriors, and Myself" by Tim Kennedy and Nick Palmisciano (Atria) *Last week: 6*

9. "James Patterson: The Stories of My Life" by James Patterson (Little, Brown) *Last week: 13*

10. "Half Baked Harvest Every Day: Recipes for Balanced, Flexible, Feel-Good Meals: A Cookbook" by Tieghan Gerard (Clarkson Potter) *Last week: 18*

For the week ended July 9, compiled from data from independent and chain bookstores, book wholesalers and independent distributors nationwide.

— Publishers Weekly

NONFICTION REVIEWS

Peek behind scenes of Shelton film

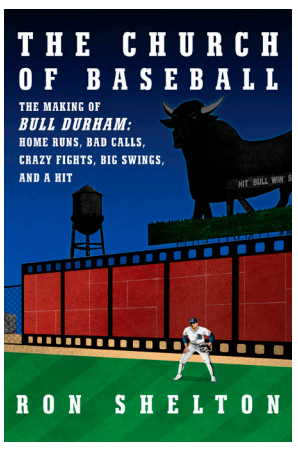
Former minor-league ballplayer Ron Shelton has written and directed a host of sports-themed movies. But Sports Illustrated declared in 2003 that "Bull Durham," his 1988 comedy starring Kevin Costner, was the best sports movie ever.

What's impressive, after reading Shelton's breezy behind-the-scenes recap, "The Church of Baseball," is that "Bull Durham" didn't end up in the direct-to-video minor leagues or just sent to the showers. Initially, too many people had too little faith in the film and the man behind it.

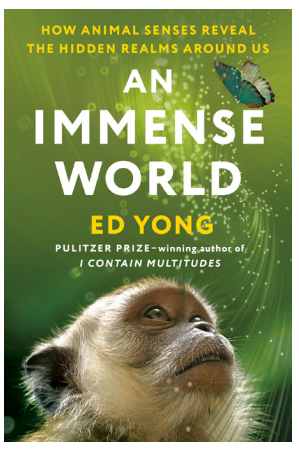
There were conflicts over the casting of the leads, Costner as Crash, Susan Sarandon as Annie and Tim Robbins as Nuke. And there was conflict over Shelton himself, some executives thinking the first-time director wasn't up to the task. Dissension continued throughout shooting.

But the heart of "The Church of Baseball" isn't the filmmaking or the fighting with the studio or even the insider's view of baseball. It's the creative process. Unlike most making-of books, many pages are devoted to how Shelton conceived the characters, developed a framework for a movie, sold a studio on it, then wrote and rewrote and rewrote the script. And the creativity continued during the actual filming, the editing, the music, the costumes and all the other stuff that goes into making a movie. Fortunately, creativity can be pretty funny as well as pretty interesting, and "The Church of Baseball" is consistently both.

Let's go to another baseball analogy: Making "Bull Durham" was like fielding a squirrely ground ball off the end of the bat at the edge of the infield grass — a play Shelton says looks easy but is actually hard to do. Fans of baseball and the movies are glad he didn't botch it. — *Douglass K. Daniel, Associated Press*



'The Church of Baseball'
By Ron Shelton; Knopf, 256 pages, $30.


HOW ANIMAL SENSES REVEAL THE HIDDEN REALMS AROUND US
AN IMMENSE WORLD
ED YONG
PULITZER PRIZE–winning author of I CONTAIN MULTITUDES

'An Immense World'
By Ed Yong; Random House, 464 pages, $30.

Six years ago, Ed Yong stunned and delighted readers and critics with his dazzling debut, "I Contain Multitudes," revealing, in granular detail, the invisible, indispensable world of the microbiome. His sumptuous new work, "An Immense World," is a sweeping survey of animal senses, how and why they mold us even as they remain elusive.

Yong structures the book around the German noun Umwelt, "the part of those surroundings that an animal can sense and experience — its perceptual world." Umwelt unfolds, meme-like, throughout the narrative, as Yong touches on the familiar — sight, sound, pain and so on — and expands into non-human realms, such as echolocation and magnetoreception, "the only sense without a known sensor" and a holy grail for sensory biologists.

He leans into the mysteries but follows a clear through line, amplifying the science. From bat sonar to dog noses to piscine electric fields, Yong's reporting is layered, seasoned with vivid scenes from laboratories and in the field, interviews with researchers across a spectrum of disciplines. Animal geeks will dine out on the rich anecdotes, the historical detours and pithy footnotes, all propelling his momentum. His prose is witty, capacious and erudite; he notes wryly that male mice "produce a pheromone in their urine that makes females especially attracted ... this substance is called darcin," after the male hero of "Pride and Prejudice."

Nature, then, is a costume drama, a multiverse, a profusion of wormholes: What goes into an ear may come out transformed. Yong moves beyond the known unknowns — How does a mantis shrimp, with its complex eyes, see? Can mosquitoes taste body heat? — and toward unknown unknowns. Have we brushed against all the sense scapes or do more exist?

In its final act, "An Immense World" swells into philosophy and politics, underscoring the urgency of climate change. Yong's book melds epic journeys with intimate reckonings, one of the year's finest journalistic achievements. — *Hamilton Cain, Minneapolis Star Tribune*

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UCONN MEN'S BASKETBALL

2023 recruit prepping for Storrs

Solomon Ball looking forward to coach Hurley

By Shreyas Laddha

Ball wasn't always life for Solomon "Solo" Ball.

His dad, Mike, would lay out a basketball, a football and a baseball bat and ball for 7-year-old Solomon and his older brother, Zion, to choose from for their daily activity. Early on the brothers always picked up the baseball or football.

That all changed a year later when Solomon's mom, Erica, bought a basketball hoop for the driveway. The brothers played intense pickup games against their dad, and suddenly the other sports didn't matter.

By the age of 10, Solomon told his dad he wanted to be a professional basketball player. Mike remembers that day like it was yesterday.

"I took him very seriously because he had this look in his eyes and he did not blink," he said. "While he didn't know what it took, he was serious about what he wanted."

Since then Solomon's spent his time improving his game on the court and his body in the weight room. The Class of 2023 recruit got one step closer to his dreams when he committed to the UConn men's basketball team earlier this month.

The 6-foot-3 guard from Sharpsburg, Maryland, who played for St. James School, a boarding school in Hagerstown, Maryland, is ranked No. 68 in the Class of 2023, according to 247sports.com. Solomon can't wait to create his own legacy in Storrs.

"You look down the line of all the other great players that have been there and look at the different rafters with different players," he said. "It's something to look up to. It's motivation. It makes me want to work every day."

Turn to Ball, Page 5

At age 10, Solomon Ball told his dad he wanted to be a professional basketball player. COURTESY OF SOLOMON BALL

COMMENTARY

Babych Brothers beloved Whalers

Dom Amore

HARTFORD — Wayne Babych, back home in Quebec City with his hand in a cast, got the call on the morning of Jan. 18, 1986.

"I thought my general manager was calling to ask how my hand was," he said. "Instead he said, 'I think you're going to be happy. You're going to be playing with your brother.' "

The next call was from Emile "The Cat" Francis, the Whalers' GM. When Babych reminded his new boss he had a broken bone in his hand, Francis told him not to worry. The Whalers would cut off his cast, tape it up and he could play that night.

Sure enough, both Dave Babych, acquired from Winnipeg earlier that season, and his older brother Wayne were in the lineup that night when the Whalers played the Nordiques. Wayne, traded from the first-place team to the last-place team in the Adams Division, assisted on a goal by Ron Francis, and both brothers assisted on a goal by Risto Siltanen in a 5-2 Whaler win, and soon things began to click.

"You had a lot of younger guys that were just good guys, good hard-working guys," Dave Babych said. "A fast team. Even though their wasn't a real superstar on the team at the time, everyone played well together."

The Babych Brothers were back in Hartford for the Whalers' reunion, staged every year by the Yard Goats. Typically, if you remember what the Whalers were all about here, they were part of a group that visited patients at St. Francis Hospital Friday.

"The Whalers, there's a tremendous resiliency around that team and that name," said Thomas Burke, St. Francis' president. "As someone who's not originally from Connecticut, seeing how it resonates still, so many years later, is amazing to see."

Turn to Amore, Page 5

Seattle Storm's Jewel Lloyd wears a Brittany Griner jersey and speaks with the media before the start of the WNBA All-Star game at Wintrust Arena on July 10 in Chicago. STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

WNBA

Griner hits 150 days in Russia

WNBA players rallying to support star, pressure Biden

By Lila Bromberg
Hartford Courant

All 22 WNBA All-Stars walked onto the court at Wintrust Arena in Chicago last Sunday with a different look. The uniforms they started the afternoon wearing had been replaced by ones with Brittney Griner's last name and No. 42 on the back. They then lined up together on the sidelines and stood still for a moment to honor the Phoenix Mercury center before playing the second half of the All-Star Game.

Less than a week later, Griner was photographed holding a printout image of their demonstration through the bars of a defendant's cage during her drug possession trial in Russia.

Turn to Griner, Page 6

WNBA star and two-time Olympic gold medalist Brittney Griner holds up a photo of players from the recent all star game wearing her number, sitting in a cage at a court room prior to a hearing in the Khimki district court, just outside Moscow, Russia, Friday. Griner was arrested in February at the Russian capital's Sheremetyevo Airport when customs officials said they found vape canisters with cannabis oil in her luggage. She has been jailed since then, facing up to 10 years in prison if convicted. DMITRY SEREBRYAKOV/AP

YANKEES

With team showing a few cracks, what now?

By Bill Madden
Baseball Columnist

This is why they call it the long season.

On the Fourth of July, the Yankees were cruising along at a near .700 pace and had folks talking about possibly their greatest season ever. Then came five losses in their next nine games, including two out of three at home to the lowly Reds, along with the loss of Luis Severino to a lat injury — and suddenly doubts have arisen as to whether the Yankees do have the right stuff to make it back to the World Series for the first time since 2009.

But honestly, did anyone really think the Yankees were going to go through an entire season without any injuries to their starting rotation? Or that Clay Holmes was going to go through an entire season without one bad outing? It's a long season. And with Severino down, presumably for at least a month, and Nestor Cortes having already surpassed his career season-most innings total, and Jameson Taillon having watched his ERA balloon from 2.30 on June 1 to 4.01, speculation has renewed that they will be in the market for a starting pitcher. In particular, the Reds' Luis Castillo, who showed definitively he's not bothered by New York when he held the Yankees hitless for 5 ⅓ innings in the Bronx Thursday night.

But the Reds, who've been blistered by their fans for trading away all their best players last winter, are going to have to get a haul for Castillo, at least one and maybe two top prospects, especially since he can't be a free agent until 2024. Now if George Steinbrenner were still alive, I believe that Oswald Peraza would be playing shortstop for the Reds right after the All-Star break and Castillo would be following Gerrit Cole in the Yankees' second-half rotation. But Hal Steinbrenner is very protective of the Yankee farm system and has made the point on many occasions that, unlike his impulsive dad, he doesn't favor trading away his top prospects. Great as Castillo has pitched this year, I'm told there are also reservations among the Yankee high command about him missing the first five weeks of the season with a shoulder issue.

What Brian Cashman and the rest of the Yankee hierarchy have to be asking themselves right now

Turn to Yankees, Page 3

BRITISH OPEN

McIlroy nearing first major championship in 8 years

Avoids blunders to stand tied for lead with Hovland after 3 rounds

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Rory McIlroy moved into the void left by the departure of Tiger Woods at the British Open, holing a bunker shot for eagle and revving up the gallery at St. Andrews at every turn Saturday as he moved closer to ending eight years without a major.

Still to come is one more round on a stage he shares with Norwegian star Viktor Hovland. They each posted a 6-under 66, building a four-shot cushion by avoiding the blunders that sent so many contenders in the wrong direction.

Cameron Smith, who started with a two-shot lead, took double bogey on the 13th hole when he tried a bold play with his feet in a pot bunker. Cameron Young went over the 16th green and then back down the other side for a double bogey on the 16th hole.

Dustin Johnson putted across the green and into a bunker and fell six shots behind.

McIlroy and Hovland, who were at 16-under 200, had no such trouble Saturday.

Hovland holed a pair of 40-foot putts on his way to four straight birdies on the front nine to seize the lead. McIlroy finally caught him by holing out from a pot bunker some 80 feet away for eagle on the 10th hole, setting off a roar that could be heard all the way back at the Royal & Ancient clubhouse.

McIlroy only a day earlier tipped his cap to Woods as he started his second round and Woods was on his way to missing the cut, crossing the Swilcan Bridge for what might have been last time. The R&A set the tee times that way so they would pass each other.

Woods stands alone in driving the sport, though McIlroy is the most popular worldwide, and it sounded like that — on the first tee when McIlroy was introduced, for every birdie, and when he took the lead for the first time with a birdie on the 14th.

"I love that I've got so much support," McIlroy said. "But at the same time, I need o keep in my own little world and try to play a good round of golf. Hopefully, that's enough."

His lone mistake was coming out

Turn to McIlroy, Page 8

SCOREBOARD

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	9	2	9	36	31	14
New York City FC	10	4	5	35	38	21
N.Y. Red Bulls	9	5	6	33	30	21
CF Montréal	9	8	2	29	33	35
Orlando City	8	7	5	29	25	29
Cincinnati	7	7	6	27	32	35
Charlotte FC	8	10	2	26	23	24
Columbus	6	5	8	26	25	22
New England	6	6	7	25	31	32
Atlanta	6	8	5	23	28	30
Inter Miami CF	6	9	4	22	19	29
Chicago	5	10	5	20	20	27
Toronto FC	5	11	4	19	26	38
D.C. United	5	10	3	18	25	39
WESTERN	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PT**	**GF**	**GA**
Austin FC	12	4	4	40	41	23
Los Angeles FC	12	4	3	39	38	21
Nashville	8	6	6	30	26	25
Real Salt Lake	8	6	6	30	25	26
Minnesota United	8	8	4	28	27	25
FC Dallas	7	6	7	28	30	24
LA Galaxy	8	8	3	27	28	25
Seattle	8	9	2	26	26	23
Portland	6	6	8	26	32	29
Vancouver	7	9	4	25	22	33
Houston	6	10	4	22	25	28
San Jose	5	7	7	22	32	39
Colorado	5	8	6	21	22	27
Sporting KC	5	11	5	20	19	35

Three points for win, one point for tie.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Toronto FC at CF Montréal, late
New England at Philadelphia, late
Seattle at Chicago, late
Charlotte FC at Miami, late
D.C. United at Minnesota, late
LA Galaxy at Colorado, late
Austin FC at FC Dallas, late

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Orlando City at Atlanta, 3p.m.
New York City FC at New York, 5p.m.
Cincinnati at Columbus, 7:30p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Nashville, 8:30p.m.
Sporting KC at Real Salt Lake, 9:30p.m.
Houston at San Jose, 9:30p.m.
Vancouver at Portland, 10:30p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 23
Miami at New York City FC, 7p.m.
Nashville at Cincinnati, 7:30p.m.
New England at Columbus, 7:30p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando City, 7:30p.m.
Charlotte FC at Toronto FC, 7:30p.m.
CF Montréal at D.C. United, 8p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 8:30p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Sporting KC, 8:30p.m.
FC Dallas at Real Salt Lake, 10p.m.
Colorado at Seattle, 10p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10p.m.
San Jose at Portland, 10:30p.m.

U.S. OPEN CUP

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, SEMIFINALS
N.Y. Red Bulls at Orlando City, 5:30p.m.
Sporting Kansas City at Sacramento Republic FC, 8:30p.m.

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
San Diego FC	6	3	4	22	19	11
Chicago	5	1	5	20	19	12
Portland	4	1	6	18	24	10
OL Reign	4	2	5	17	11	8
Angel City FC	5	4	2	17	10	11
Houston	4	4	3	15	16	13
Kansas City	4	4	3	15	11	14
Gotham FC	4	5	0	12	7	13
Orlando	3	5	3	12	12	26
Louisville	2	5	5	11	13	18
Washington	1	5	6	9	11	15
North Carolina	2	5	2	8	14	16

Three points for win, one point for tie.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Chicago at Houston, late
Gotham FC at Portland, late

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Orlando at Washington, 5p.m.
OL Reign at Kansas City, 7p.m.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Louisville 0, San Diego Wave FC 0
Angel City FC at N. Carolina, ppd.

U.S. WOMEN'S SCHEDULE (10-0-1)

s-Feb. 17: U.S. 0, Czech Republic 0
s-Feb. 20: U.S. 5, New Zealand 0
s-Feb. 23: U.S. 5, Iclenad 0
April 9: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 1
April 12: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 0
June 25: U.S. 3, Colombia 0
June 28: U.S. 2, Colombia 0
v-July 4: U.S. 3, Haiti 0
v-July 7: U.S. 5 Jamaica 0
v-July 11: U.S. 1, Mexico 0
v-July 14: U.S. 3, Costa Rica 0
Sept. 3: vs. Nigeria, 1 p.m.
Sept. 6: vs. Nigeria, 6 p.m.
s-Shebelieves Cup
v-CONCACAF W Championship

U.S. MEN'S SCHEDULE (5-2-3)

q-Jan. 27: U.S. 1, El Salvador 0
q-Jan. 30: Canada 2, U.S. 0
q-Feb. 2: U.S. 3, Honduras 0
q-March 24: Mexico 0, U.S. 0
q-March 27: U.S. 5, Panama 1
q-March 30: Costa Rica 2, U.S. 0
June 1: U.S. 3, Morocco 0
June 5: U.S. 0, Uruguay 0
n-June 10: U.S. 5, Grenada 0
n-June 14: U.S. 1, El Salvador 1
Sept. 23: exhibition TBA

n-Nationas Cup
q-CONCACAF World Cup qualifying
w-FIFA World Cup, Qatar

CYCLING

109TH TOUR DE FRANCE

Saturday's 14th Stage, a 192.5-km (119-miles) Saint-Étienne—Mende
STAGE 14 RESULTS*-time behind leader*

1. Michael Matthews, Australia	4:30:53.
2. Alberto Bettiol, Italy	:15*.
3. Thibaut Pinot, France	:34*.
4. Marc Soler, Spain	:50*.
5. Patrick Konrad, Austria	:58*.
6. Jakob Fuglsang, Switzerland	:58*.
7. Felix Großschartner	1:06*.
8. Lennard Kämna, Germany	1:12*.
9. Simmon Geschke, Germany	1:12*.
10. Louis Meintjes, South Africa	1:12*.
Also	
16. Neilson Powless, U.S.	3:16*.
20. Quinn Simmons, U.S.	6:22*.
40. Sepp Kuss, U.S.	15:12 *
41. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	16:06*.
43. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	16:27*.
55. Joe Dombrowski, U.S.	20:34*.
OVERALL STANDINGS	
1. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark	55:31:01.
2. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	2:22*.
3. Geraint Thomas, Great Britain	2:43*.
4. Romain Bardet, France,	3:01*.
5. Adam Yates, Great Britain	4:06*.
6. Nairo Quintana, Colombia	4:15*.
7. Louis Meintjes, South Africa	4:24*.
8. David Gaudu, France	4:24.
9. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain	8:49*.
10. Enric Mas, Spain	9:58.*
Also	
14. Neilson Powless, U.S.	*18:11*.
17. Sepp Kuss, U.S.	27:33*.
30. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	1:00:05*.
31. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	1:00:04*.
57. Joe Dombrowski, U.S.	1:31:28*.
79. Quinn Simmons, U.S.	2:00:29*.
YOUNG RIDERS STANDINGS	
1. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	55:33:23.
2. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain	6:27*.
3. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	57:43*.
4. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	58:42*.
5. Andreas Leknessund, Norway	1:09:57*.
6. Kevin Geniets, Luxembourg	1:19:05*.
7. Michael Storer, Australia	1:19:15*.
8. Georg Zimmerman, Germany	1:32:11*.
9. Fred Wright, Great Britain	1:44:35*.
10. Andreas Kron, Denmark	1:54:32*.
Also	
11. Quinn Simmons, U.S.	1:58:07*.
MOUNTAIN STANDINGS	**PTS.**
1. Simmon Geschke, Germany	46.
2. Louis Meintjes, South Africa	39.
3. Neilson Powless, U.S.	37.
4. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark	36.
5. Giulio Ciccone, Italy	35.
6. Pierre Latour, France	35.
7. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain	28.
8. Anthony Perez, France	26.
9. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	26.
10. Chris Froome, Great Britain	22.

UPCOMING STAGES
unday, Stage 15: Rodez—Carcassonne, flat, 202.5 (125)
Monday: rest day
Tuesday Stage 16: Carcassonne—Foix, hilly, 178.5 (110)

WNBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	18	6	.750	—
Connecticut	16	8	.667	2
Washington	15	11	.577	4
Atlanta	10	14	.417	8
New York	9	15	.375	9
Indiana	5	21	.192	14
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Las Vegas	17	7	.708	—
Seattle	16	8	.667	1
Dallas	11	13	.458	6
Phoenix	11	15	.423	7
Los Angeles	10	14	.417	7
Minnesota	10	16	.385	8

SATURDAY'S RESULT
Chicago at Dallas, late

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Las Vegas at connecticut, 1p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 3p.m.
Atlantat at Phoenix, 6p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 6p.m.

MONDAY'S GAMES
No game scheduled.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
New York at Connecticut, 11:30a.m.
Atlanta at Las Vegas, 10p.m.
Indiana at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Minnesota 87, Indiana 77
Connecticut 93, Atlanta 68

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

NBA 2K23 SUMMER LEAGUE

Thomas & Mack, Cox Pavilion, Las Vegas

Saturday's results
Cleveland 94, Atlanta 90
Detroit 102, Orlando 86
Minnesota 89, Charlotte 86
San Antonio 90, Memphis 87
Philadelphia vs. Chicago, late
Brooklyn vs. Boston, late
Houston vs. Sacramento, late
L.A. Lakers vs. Dallas, late
Miami vs. L.A. Clippers, late

Sunday's Games
Portland vs. New York, noon
Phoenix vs. Indiana, 2:30p.m.
Washington vs. Golden State, 4:30p.m.
Milwaukee vs.Toronto, 1p.m.
Oklahoma City vs. New Orleans, 3p.m.
Denver vs. Utah, 5p.m.

Friday, July 15
L.A. Clippers 82, Utah 65
Philadelphia 97, Denver 71
Oklahoma City 90, Golden State 82
Sacramento 82, Phoenix 69
Washington 97, Indiana 89
Toronto 88, Miami 78
L.A. Lakers 102, New Orleans 94

TENNIS

ATP HALL OF FAME OPEN

At International Tennis Hall of Fame, Newport, R.I., outdoors-grass
MEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
#4Maxime Cressy d.
#2John Isner, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.
#3Alexander Bublik d.
Jason Kubler, 6-3, 6-2.

ATP NORDEA OPEN

At Bastad Tennis Stadium, Bastad, Sweden, outdoors, Red clay
MEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
Francisco Cerundolo d.
#5Pablo Carreno Busta, 6-3, 6-2.
#8Sebastian Baez d.
#2Andrey Rublev, 6-2, 6-4.

WTA LADIES OPEN LAUSANNE

At Stade-Lausanne Tennis Club, Lausanne, Switzerland, outdoor, Red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
Petra Martic d.
#6Caroline Garcia, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.
Olga Danilovic d.
Anastasia Potapova, 6-3, 6-2.

WTA HUNGARIAN GRAND PRIX

At Europe Tennis Center, Budapest, Hungary, outdoors, Red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
Aleksandra Krunic d.
#3Yulia Putintseva, 6-2, 6-2.
Bernarda Pera d.
#9Anna Bondar, 6-3, 6-4.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR CUP SERIES AMBETTER 301 LINEUP

After Saturday qualifying; race Sunday
At New Hampshire Motor Speedway
Loudon, N.H. Lap length: 1.06 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (19) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 127.113 mph.
2. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 126.922.
3. (45) Kurt Busch, Toyota, 126.825.
4. (23) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 126.513.
5. (20) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 126.425.
6. (24) William Byron, Chevrolet, 126.387.
7. (10) Aric Almirola, Ford, 126.040.
8. (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 126.019.
9. (6) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 125.252.
10. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford, .000.
11. (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 126.973.
12. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 126.723.
13. (8) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, 126.178.
14. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 126.174.
15. (34) Michael McDowell, Ford, 125.840.
16. (17) Chris Buescher, Ford, 125.732.
17. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 125.653.
18. (1) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 125.570.
19. (99) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 125.438.
20. (16) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 125.327.
21. (7) Corey Lajoie, Chevrolet, 125.248.
22. (43) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, 125.199.
23. (41) Cole Custer, Ford, 125.063.
24. (47) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, 125.039.
25. (31) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 124.977.
26. (38) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 124.785.
27. (48) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 124.536.
28. (2) Austin Cindric, Ford, 124.467.
29. (14) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 124.166.
30. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 123.827.
31. (21) Harrison Burton, Ford, 123.723.
32. (78) BJ McLeod, Ford, 123.322.
33. (15) JJ Yeley, Ford, 122.611.
34. (77) Josh Bilicki, Chevrolet, 122.466.
35. (42) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 121.734.
36. (51) Cody Ware, Ford, 121.458.

NASCAR CUP SERIES DRIVER POINT STANDINGS

DRIVER	W	T5	T10	PTS
Chase Elliott	3	6	13	684
Ryan Blaney	0	7	10	637
Ross Chastain	2	10	13	634
Kyle Larson	1	8	10	579
Kyle Busch	1	6	11	569
Martin Truex, Jr.	0	2	7	566
Joey Logano	2	5	8	562
Christopher Bell	0	4	10	523
Alex Bowman	1	3	9	508
William Byron	2	4	5	505
Kevin Harvick	0	4	10	504
Aric Almirola	0	2	6	481
Austin Cindric	1	3	6	465
Tyler Reddick	1	5	7	458

ODDS

MLB **SUNDAY**

NATIONAL LEAGUE FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	Line
at Washington	Off	Atlanta	Off
Philadelphia	-158	at Miami	+134
at St. Louis	Off	Cincinnati	Off
NY Mets	-235	at Chi. Cubs	+194
at Colorado	Off	Pittsburgh	Off
at San Fran.	-172	Milwaukee	+144
at San Diego	-188	Arizona	+158
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
at Toronto	-330	Kansas City	+265
at NY Yankees	-196	Boston	+164
at Tampa Bay	-162	Baltimore	+136
at Cleveland	Off	Detroit	Off
at Houston	Off	Oakland	Off
at Minnesota	Off	Chi. White Sox	Off
Seattle	-130	at Texas	+110

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GOLF

150TH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

3rd of 4 rounds, Old Course, St Andrews, United Kingdom, U.K., 7,313 yards; Par 72

Viktor Hovland	68-66-66—200	-16
Rory McIlroy	66-68-66—200	-16
Cameron Smith	67-64-73—204	-12
Cameron Young	64-69-71—204	-12
Si Woo Kim	69-69-67—205	-11
Scottie Scheffler	68-68-69—205	-11
Dustin Johnson	68-67-71—206	-10
Matt Fitzpatrick	72-66-69—207	-9
Tommy Fleetwood	72-69-66—207	-9
Adam Scott	72-65-70—207	-9
Patrick Cantlay	70-67-71—208	-8
Jordan Spieth	71-69-68—208	-8
Brian Harman	73-68-68—209	-7
Tyrrell Hatton	70-66-73—209	-7
Kevin Kisner	74-70-65—209	-7
Shane Lowry	72-68-69—209	-7
Thomas Pieters	75-67-67—209	-7
Bryson DeChambeau	69-74-67—210	-6
Dylan Frittelli	70-71-69—210	-6
Russell Henley	70-72-68—210	-6
Francesco Molinari	73-71-66—210	-6
Trey Mullinax	71-73-66—210	-6
Aaron Wise	72-67-71—210	-6
Dean Burmester	71-73-67—211	-5
Lucas Herbert	70-68-73—211	-5
Nicolai Hojgaard	73-67-71—211	-5
Min Woo Lee	69-69-73—211	-5
Victor Perez	71-69-71—211	-5
Ian Poulter	69-72-70—211	-5
Anthony Quayle	74-69-68—211	-5
Jon Rahm	73-67-71—211	-5
Xander Schauffele	69-70-72—211	-5
Sahith Theegala	69-68-74—211	-5
Will Zalatoris	73-67-71—211	-5
Abraham Ancer	71-68-73—212	-4
Christiaan Bezuidenhout	73-71-68—212	-4
David Carey	72-67-73—212	-4
Filippo Celli	74-67-71—212	-4
Talor Gooch	68-69-75—212	-4
Billy Horschel	73-69-70—212	-4
Sadom Kaewkanjana	71-67-74—212	-4
Brad Kennedy	68-72-72—212	-4
Joohyung Kim	69-71-72—212	-4
Chris Kirk	75-68-69—212	-4
Richard Mansell	73-71-68—212	-4
Harold Varner III	73-67-72—212	-4
Lee Westwood	68-71-73—212	-4
Corey Conners	71-71-71—213	-3
Thomas Detry	70-69-74—213	-3
Sergio Garcia	75-66-72—213	-3
Thriston Lawrence	69-71-73—213	-3
Robert Macintyre	70-74-69—213	-3
Adrian Meronk	75-68-70—213	-3
John Parry	69-74-70—213	-3
Marcus Armitage	71-72-71—214	-2
Paul Casey	71-72-71—214	-2
Justin De Los Santos	71-73-70—214	-2
Tony Finau	73-71-70—214	-2
Yuto Katsuragawa	71-68-75—214	-2
Kurt Kitayama	68-73-73—214	-2
Jason Kokrak	72-70-72—214	-2
Jason Scrivener	72-71-71—214	-2
Justin Thomas	72-70-72—214	-2
Barclay Brown	68-70-77—215	-1
Robert Dinwiddie	67-77-71—215	-1
Sebastian Munoz	73-71-71—215	-1
Lars Van Meijel	74-70-71—215	-1
Danny Willett	69-73-73—215	-1
Laurie Canter	72-70-74—216	E
Aaron Jarvis	75-69-72—216	E
Joaquin Niemann	69-74-73—216	E
Patrick Reed	72-68-76—216	E
Jordan L. Smith	73-71-72—216	E
Cameron Tringale	71-71-74—216	E
Adri Arnaus, Spain	74-70-73—217	+1
Garrick Higgo	72-69-76—217	+1
Sam Burns	72-69-77—218	+2
Sungjae Im	71-73-74—218	+2
David Law	72-69-77—218	+2
Hideki Matsuyama	71-72-76—219	+3
Wyndham Clark	71-73-76—220	+4
Jamie Rutherford	73-70-78—221	+5
Sam Bairstow,	72-72-79—223	+7

SATURDAY'S LEADERS' CARDS

Par out	**444**	**454**	**434-36**
Viktor Hovland	443	343	434-32
Rory McIlroy	444	443	433-33
Cameron Young	444	444	533-35
Cameron Smith	544	454	433-36

Par in	**434**	**454**	**44-36-72—216**
Hovland	334	454	43-34-66—200
McIlroy	234	444	53-33-66—200
Young	333	544	64-36-71—204
Smith	434	644	44-37-73—204

DOW GREAT LAKES BAY INVITATIONAL

4th of 4 rounds, Midland CC, Midland, Mich., 6,277 yards; Par: 70

L.Salas/J.Kupcho	68-61-64-61—254	-26
M.Castren/K.Tan	69-61-67-62—259	-21
S.Lewis/M.Fassi	69-65-67-59—260	-20
E.Szokol/C.Knight	72-62-66-61—261	-19
H.Kang/T.Chan	68-62-69-62—261	-19
H.Choi/N.An	69-65-67-61—262	-18
P.Roussin/D.Weber	65-61-73-63—262	-18
K.Davidson/D.Darquea	71-63-67-62—263	-17
N.Korda/J.Korda	69-63-71-60—263	-17
B.Matthews/L.Hartlage	71-62-71-60—264	-16
S.Kemp/A.Sharp	69-61-72-62—264	-16
S.Popov/A.Van Dam	70-61-70-63—264	-16
W.Meechai/R.Liu	70-64-68-62—264	-16
Y.Noh/A.Kim	69-62-69-64—264	-16
L.Stephenson/J.Hollis	66-66-69-64—265	-15
M.Alex/K.Webb	69-62-69-65—265	-15
P.Phatlum/P.Yoktuan	66-64-71-64—265	-15
P.Reto/A.Lewis	69-63-70-63—265	-15
X.Lin/P.Delacour	69-66-69-61—265	-15
L.Coughlin/S.Vilaubi	70-64-70-62—266	-14
A.Olson/K.Kirk	68-67-71-61—267	-13
R.Rohanna Virgili/H.Harford	71-64-69-63—267	-13
S.Schmelzel/M.Leblanc	71-62-71-63—267	-13
C.Danielson/L.Kim	71-64-71-62—268	-12
F.Kinhult/L.Johansson	68-66-70-64—268	-12
P.Anannarukarn/A.Ashok	72-62-69-65—268	-12
Y.Liu/P.Chien	68-65-70-65—268	-12
C.Kerr/S.Meadow	69-65-71-64—269	-11
M.Metraux/C.Herbin	70-62-76-61—269	-11
M.Sagstrom/A.Sorenstam	65-66-72-66—269	-11
M.Uribe/S.Smith	74-59-69-67—269	-11
A.Yin/Y.Hong	71-64-72-63—270	-10
E.Talley/J.Ewart Shadoff	66-64-76-64—270	-10
R.Ree/J.Chang	73-62-72-64—271	-9
S.Schubert/A.Doherty	72-61-74-66—273	-7
M.Szeryk/K.McPherson	69-64-74-67—274	-6
S.Parks/A.Uwadia	69-65-73-67—274	-6
M.Martin/V.Hurst	69-66-76-65—276	-4
M.Stackhouse/S.Michaels	72-62-76-68—278	-2

LATE FRIDAY: BARRACUDA CHAMPIONSHIP

2nd of 4 rounds, Tahoe Mt. Club-Old Greenwood, Truckee, Calif., 7,518 yards; Par: 72; Stableford Scoring Format

Chez Reavie	9-19	28
Mark Hubbard	13-12	25
Henrik Norlander	11-14	25
Kevin Tway	6-15	21
Maverick McNealy	11-8	19
Martin Trainer	8-11	19
Martin Laird	10-8	18
Brice Garnett	12-5	17
Sean Crocker	12-5	17
Nino Bertasio	7-10	17
Kelly Kraft	8-8	16
Cam Davis	8-8	16
Greyson Sigg	4-12	16
Michael Gligic	11-5	16
Austin Smotherman	7-9	16
Alex Noren	4-12	16
Yannik Paul	8-8	16
Charley Hoffman	13-2	15
Vince Whaley	6-9	15
Scott Jamieson	8-7	15
Justin Lower	6-9	15
Harry Higgs	4-11	15
James Morrison	9-6	15
Marcus Helligkilde	8-7	15
John Huh	2-13	15
Joshua Creel	10-5	15
Bill Haas	8-6	14
Matti Schmid	4-10	14
Scott Gutschewski	6-8	14
Nick Hardy	5-8	13
Chase Seiffert	7-6	13
Espen Kofstad	5-7	12
Matthieu Pavon	7-5	12
Aaron Cockerill	12-0	12
Fabián Gómez	9-2	11
Hurly Long	6-5	11
Taylor Pendrith	5-6	11
Cameron Percy	8-3	11
Joseph Bramlett	7-4	11
Sung Kang	3-7	10
Taylor Moore	1-9	10
Michael Lorenzo-Vera	9-1	10
Pep Angles	3-7	10
Austin Cook	-1-11	10
Bo Hoag	7-3	10
Rafa Cabrera Bello	4-5	9
Chesson Hadley	5-4	9
James Hahn	-1-10	9
Francesco Laporta	6-3	9
Jim Knous	11--2	9
Ben Kohles	4-5	9
Richy Werenski	6-3	9
Seung-Yul Noh	5-4	9
Rasmus Hojgaard	6-2	8
Lucas Bjerregaard	3-5	8
Chad Ramey	5-3	8
David Lingmerth	2-6	8
Ricky Barnes	2-6	8

Corey LaJoie, driver of the #7 Chevrolet, enters his car during Saturday's qualifying for the NASCAR Cup Series Ambetter 301 in Loudon, N.H.. **JAMES GILBERT/GETTY**

NASCAR

LaJoie wants to prove strong end at Atlanta was no fluke

He's chasing Larson, Elliott but getting closer to breakout

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — Ten years ago, Corey LaJoie won more races in a NASCAR regional series season than Chase Elliott. LaJoie even won more races that season than Kyle Larson. LaJoie finished as runner-up — just 16 points back — to Larson in the season points standings.

Larson wrapped up the 2012 NASCAR K&N Pro Series East championship in the same race a 16-year-old rookie named Tyler Reddick made his debut.

All drivers with so much promise.

Check it out a decade later: Larson is the reigning NASCAR Cup Series champion and widely considered the best pure driver in the sport. Elliott won the 2020 Cup title and has a lock on the most popular driver award. Reddick just won his first Cup race and is rising star so in demand that 23XI Racing this week signed him to a deal that doesn't start until 2024.

Then there's LaJoie.

The 30-year-old driver spent most of his career scuffling through driving for underfunded or upstart teams and had only one top-five finish over his first 182 career starts. But in start No. 183 Sunday at Atlanta Motor Speedway, LaJoie led the field from the inside lane on a restart with three laps left in the race. His first career win in sight, Elliott slid up the banking to cut off his challenger. LaJoie ran out of room and smashed the outside wall. He settled for 21st, a number that hardly shows how agonizingly close LaJoie was to beating Elliott for the win and taking the checkered flag for the low-budget Spire Motorsports team.

"I wish I'd been sitting here looking at the trophy all week," LaJoie said. "I know that you're only as good as your last race, and you roll right into Loudon and then everybody forgets about it. For me, it's a lot of confidence. Because it's one thing yourself that you can do it if you're in the right opportunity over the last four, five years. A lot of it, sometimes feels fabricated, whether it's to yourself, whether your beliefs are to be able to drive a race car, you start to question if you can do that. If you're ever going to get the chance that we had on Sunday afternoon to win a Cup race."

LaJoie led 19 laps in Atlanta, a modest total for most star drivers, but consider, he's now led 46 his entire Cup career. Is he a one-weekend wonder or can LaJoie — buried in 31st in the points standings — race for a win Sunday at New Hampshire Motor Speedway? Well, his average finish is 29.6 in seven career starts. LaJoie, who has spent years trying to find a competitive race team to prove he can contend in elite equipment, now has to hope the near-miss in Atlanta was a springboard toward that first win and not just one more lost opportunity he won't sniff again.

"I think the biggest feeling I took away over the weekend was just confidence in the fact that I can do it and Spire is capable of doing it, on occasion," LaJoie said.

On occasion. Not exactly a ringing endorsement for a race team that lucked into one rain-shorted win in 2019 but otherwise has six top-10 finishes in 182 starts. LaJoie conceded his No. 7 Chevrolet team needed a flawless race most weekends just to finish inside the top 20.

"When we have all the air in the tires, and tires in the car and the steering works and the oil lines don't get frayed and have holes in them or water lines, we finish in the top 20," LaJoie said. "For us as a team to finish in the top 20, if you don't have issues, is like a pretty big deal. You're beating a handful of teams that you never should be."

Such is the life of a backmarker. LaJoie said he had to consider a potential 10th through 15th finish this weekend at New Hampshire "as much of a win as taking home a trophy."

Austin Cindric, Chase Briscoe, Ross Chastain, Daniel Suarez and Reddick all won their first Cup races this season and LaJoie nearly joined the group with the biggest shocker of 'em all.

But Atlanta was a reminder of the old days when LaJoie once ran with — and beat — so many of NASCAR's future stars.

"If anybody looks at me any differently after Sunday, than they did before Sunday, they never really were paying attention in the first place," he said.

Qualifying: Martin Truex Jr. won a pole for the first time in his three-plus seasons with Joe Gibbs Racing and will lead a Toyota-heavy top five to green at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Looking for his first win of the season, Truex turned a lap of 127.113 mph on Saturday and won his 20th career pole.

IN BRIEF

Matthews wins 14th stage of Tour

News services

Michael Matthews of Australia posted a solo win on the 14th stage of the Tour de France after a long breakaway and a tremendous effort in the last climb on Saturday when defending champion Tadej Pogacar tried in vain to regain time on leader Jonas Vingegaard.

It was Matthews' fourth stage win at cycling's biggest race.

The Australian was part of a group of 23 riders who broke from the pack after a frenetic start to the stage punctuated by a flurry of attacks on hilly ground from Saint-Etienne to Mende.

Matthews, from the BikeExchange-Jayco team, launched a solo effort about 50 kilometers from the finish and reduced the leading group to just four men.

He was joined by Italian rider Alberto Bettiol in the Cote de la Croix Neuve, a short but punishing three-kilometer ascent with a gradient of more than 10% followed by a short descent across the airfield to the finish line.

Auto racing: Colton Herta posted a fast lap of 59.2698 seconds in Toronto to become the first repeat pole winner of the IndyCar season. A different driver started each of the series first nine races this season. Herta broke that streak by barely edging out six-time series champ Scott Dixon. Dixon completed the bumpy 11-turn, 1.786-mile lap in 59.3952. Points leader Marcus Ericsson will start ninth in IndyCar's first race at Toronto since 2019. ... Justin Allgaier outran 2011 Daytona 500 champion Trevor Bayne at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for his third Xfinity Series victory of the season. Allgaier won all three checkered flags over his last eight races, a hot streak that started in May at Darlington Raceway.

Golf: Jennifer Kupcho and Lizette Salas won the Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational on Saturday, closing with a 9-under 61 in best-ball play for a five-stroke victory in the LPGA Tour's lone team event in Midland, Mich. The U.S. Solheim Cup partners finished at 26-under 254 at Midland Country Club.

NHL: The Penguins acquired D Jeff Petry and F Ryan Poehling from the Canadiens in exchange for D Mike Matheson and a fourth-round pick in 2023. The Penguins also dealt D John Marino to the Devils for D Ty Smith and a third-round pick in 2023. Petry had 70 goals and 178 assists in 508 games with the Canadiens. Matheson had 11 goals and 20 assists in 74 games with the Penguins last season.

Tennis: Fourth-seeded Maxime Cressy ended John Isner's 10-match winning streak on Newport's grass courts, beating the fellow American 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 on Saturday to advance to the Hall of Fame Open final. Cressy will face No. 3 seed Alexander Bublik. Bublik beat Jason Kubler 6-3, 6-2 in the other semifinal.

Track and field: Dutch endurance icon Sifan Hassan got outraced to the line in a fight-to-the-fin

SPORTS

UP NEXT

Red Sox: at Yankees, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Blue Jays, Friday, 7 p.m.; Blue Jays, Saturday, 4 p.m.

Yankees: Red Sox, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; at Houston (2), Thursday, 1 & 6:30 p.m.; at Orioles, Friday, 7 p.m.

Mets: at Cubs, Sunday, 2 p.m.; Padres, Friday, 7 p.m.; Padres, Saturday, 7 p.m.

Yard Goats: Harrisburg, Sunday, 1 p.m.; at Binghamton, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Binghamton, Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

Sun: Aces, Sunday, 1 p.m.; Liberty, Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.; at Lynx, Friday, 8 p.m.

Hartford Athletic: Pittsburgh, Saturday, 7 p.m.; at Rio Grande, July 27, 8:30 p.m.; Birmingham, July 30, 7 p.m.

TV/RADIO

AUTO RACING

11 a.m.: NHRA Drag Racing Dodge Power Brokers Mile-High Nationals, Qualifying 2. (Taped) FS1

1 p.m.: FIA Formula E Racing New York E-Prix. (Live) CBS

3 p.m.: NASCAR Cup Series Ambetter 301. (Live) USA

4 p.m.: NHRA Drag Racing Dodge Power Brokers Mile-High Nationals. (Live) FOX

8 p.m.: Superstar Racing Experience. (Taped) CBSSN

BASEBALL

12 p.m.: Kansas City Royals at Toronto Blue Jays. (Live) SPRTNET

1:30 p.m.: Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees. (Live), NESN, YES. Radio: 1080, 97.9.

2 p.m.: New York Mets at Chicago Cubs. (Live), SNY. Radio: 880.

7 p.m.: Baseball Cape Cod League: Chatham Anglers at Harwich Mariners. (Live) NESN

BASKETBALL

1 p.m.: Las Vegas Aces at Connecticut Sun. (Live), ABC.

3 p.m.: BIG3 Basketball Week 5. (Live) CBS

3 p.m.: Championship: Teams TBA. (Live) ESPN

5:30 p.m.: Teams TBA. (Live) ESPNU

6 p.m.: WNBA }Indiana Fever at Seattle Storm. (Live) CBSSN

7:30 p.m.: Teams TBA. (Live) ESPN2

8 p.m.: The Basketball Tournament Second Round: Teams TBA. (Live) ESPNU

BICYCLING

8 a.m.: 2022 Tour de France Stage 15. (Live) USA

EQUESTRIAN

3 p.m.: Saratoga Live. (Live) FS1

FOOTBALL

8 a.m.: Essendon Bombers vs Gold Coast Suns. (Taped) FSP

GOLF

6 a.m.: 2022 Open Championship Final Round. (Live) USA

7 a.m.: 2022 Open Championship Final Round. (Live) NBC

7 a.m.: Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational, Final Round. (Taped) GOLF

6 p.m.: Barracuda Championship, Final Round. (Live) GOLF

9 p.m.: 2022 Open Championship Final Round. (Taped) GOLF

MOTORCYCLE RACING

10 a.m.: Motocross MX2 Czech Republic, Race 1. (Same-day Tape) CBSSN

11 a.m.: Motocross MXGP Czech Republic, Race 1. (Same-day Tape) CBSSN

1:30 p.m.: FIM Superbike World Championship Round 5: Prosecco DOC UK. (Same-day Tape) CNBC

SOCCER

11:30 a.m.: UEFA Women's EURO 2022 Switzerland vs Netherlands. (Live) ESPN

3 p.m.: MLS Soccer Orlando City SC at Atlanta United FC. (Live) ABC

3 p.m.: Canadian Premier League Soccer Valour FC at Atlético Ottawa. (Live) FSP

5 p.m.: MLS Soccer New York City FC at New York Red Bulls. (Live) ESPN

5 p.m.: 2022 Copa América Femenina Chile vs Bolivia. (Live) FS1

7:30 p.m.: MLS Soccer FC Cincinnati at Columbus Crew. (Live) FS1

10 p.m.: Mexico Primera Division Soccer Santos Laguna vs Guadalajara. (Taped) FSP

TRACK AND FIELD

9 a.m.: World Athletics Championships. (Live) CNBC

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METS

Alonso, Ottavino lead NY in opener

Deal Cubs their eighth straight loss

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Pete Alonso hit a sacrifice fly in the 11th inning after Adam Ottavino worked out of a tricky jam, helping the New York Mets beat the Chicago Cubs 2-1 on Saturday in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

The Cubs lost their eighth in a row.

Alonso, who also drove in New York's first run in the fourth, came up with runners on the corners and no outs in the 11th. He lofted a medium flyball to right against Mychal Givens (5-1), and Luis Guillorme scampered home with the go-ahead run.

All-Star closer Edwin Díaz then got three outs for his 20th save for the NL East leaders.

Chicago had five hits, one more than New York. The Cubs had a chance to close it out in the 10th, but Ottavino (4-2) retired three in a row after pinch-runner Nelson Velázquez stole third.

"A lot of it kind of depends on where the balls are hit, so it's not all up to you," Ottavino said. "But you got to try to attack and do your best with it, and I was lucky to get out of there."

Patrick Wisdom struck out swinging and P.J. Higgins looked at a called third strike. Rookie Christopher Morel then hit a grounder to third, and Eduardo Escobar made a scrambling stop and a one-hop throw that a stretching J.D. Davis backhanded at first.

Davis entered the game when Dominic Smith rolled his right ankle while scrambling back to second as the automatic runner in the 10th.

"It was just one of those days where we didn't score that many runs but played great defense and the pitching did their job," Davis said.

New York got another solid performance by Taijuan Walker, who pitched six innings of four-hit ball. The right-hander is 4-0 with a 1.80 ERA in his last seven starts.

"I finally feel like I've been able to put everything together," Walker said.

Cubs right-hander Marcus Stroman pitched 4 ⅓ innings of one-hit ball in his second start since coming off the injured list. He had been sidelined by right shoulder inflammation.

Stroman played for New York in 2019 and 2021 before signing with Chicago in December. He brushed off the significance of facing his former team.

"It's the same mentality, mind frame for me going into each and every game," he said.

Cubs manager David Ross was ejected by umpire Ramon De Jesus after the second inning. Each side had issues with De Jesus' strike zone at various points.

Ross also was ejected from the series opener. Friday afternoon's game was postponed by rain, leading to the doubleheader.

"There were two balls to Higgy that were balls, and I was just saying, 'Hey, that should have been 2-0,' " Ross said. "He threw me out. I didn't cuss or didn't say anything derogatory. I don't know if it was a carryover from the other day, getting ejected."

New York jumped in front on Alonso's double in the fourth, a liner into the gap in right-center that drove in Francisco Lindor from first. Alonso's 15th double this season gave him 75 RBIs, snapping a tie with David Wright for the franchise record before the All-Star break.

Chicago got its only run in the bottom half. Nico Hoerner reached on a fielder's choice, stole second and scored when Frank Schwindel beat a shift with a bouncer into center for an RBI single.

deGrom rehab update: Mets RHP Jacob deGrom (stress reaction, right scapula) is slated to throw live BP on Tuesday in Florida. The two-time NL Cy Young Award winner pitched four innings of one-run ball in a rehab start for Triple-A Syracuse on Thursday. ... Smith had a little swelling, and manager Buck Showalter said he was going to get a picture of his injured ankle. "He rolled it pretty good," Showalter said.

RED SOX NOTES

Story on 10-day injured list with bruised hand

By Julian Mcwilliams
Boston Globe

NEW YORK — The Red Sox placed Trevor Story (right hand bruise) on the 10-day injured list ahead of Saturday night's game against the Yankees.

Story was hit in the hand by starting pitcher Corey Kluber in Tuesday night's 3-2 loss against the Rays at Tropicana Field. Story had X-rays later that night that came back negative.

Story came into the clubhouse at Yankee Stadium with his hand taped and said he was feeling better but still sore. Story, who has taken grounders throughout the week, said his hand was sore even when he threw the baseball.

"It takes a little time to get that soreness out of there and the swelling and stuff," Story said. But I'm feeling better. [I can] hold a bat. I've been holding it and we're going through some tests today. Just to kind of see where it's at. So we'll have more after today."

Some of the tests included Story swinging a bat, something manager Alex Cora said his second baseman would do before the game.

Ultimately, the Sox decided the wisest decision would be to put Story on the IL, retroactive to July 14.

Taylor put on pause: For the second time this year, the Red Sox have halted lefthander Josh Taylor's rehab stint. The first time the Sox returned Taylor from his rehab stint was because he still felt pain in his back, which forced him to miss all of spring plus the season to this point. This time, however, it's because of a lack of production and bad mechanics.

"We're going to make some adjustments as far as in the training room and in the weight room," Cora said. "He feels like as far as the delivery, it wasn't as crisp as we wanted it to be. He's been better, but not the JT that we are accustomed to. So there are a few things they're going to do there and hopefully, we can get him back sooner and later."

In 10 rehab appearances, Taylor had a 4.82 ERA.

Bottoming out: Boston has gotten little production out of the bottom of the order. Heading into Saturday night's game, the Nos. 7, 8 and 9 hitters i are batting just .185 for the month of July, which ranked dead last in the league. They have struck out 56 times in 174 plate appearances which was tied for first. "We're not creating so many good at bats," Cora said. "Just like a lot of quick outs not solid contact. So we've got to get better at that." ... Chris Sale will make his first start at Yankee Stadium Sunday since Aug. 3., 2019. Sale lasted just 3 ⅔ innings in the first game of a doubleheader, allowing eight runs (all earned) on nine hits before the lefthanded starter was ejected from the contest for arguing balls and strikes. Cora was ejected shortly thereafter.

Boston Red Sox manager Alex Cora, right, walks infielder Trevor Story off the field against the Tampa Bay Rays during the fifth inning Tuesday in St. Petersburg, Fla. **SCOTT AUDETTE/AP**

YANKEES NOTES

Shoulder strain will keep Castro from throwing for up to 4 weeks

By Matthew Roberson
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — The wreckage keeps piling up in the Yankees' bullpen.

One day after saying Miguel Castro would need some time on the injured list to deal with a shoulder issue, manager Aaron Boone gave some more clarity on the righty's situation.

"Castro, as of right now, will be a no-throw for up to four weeks," Boone said. "He'll be reevaluated after two weeks, but it's going to be at least a few weeks of no throwing. It's a shoulder strain."

Instead of bringing up another pitcher to take Castro's spot on the roster, the Yankees elected to call up outfielder Tim Locastro. That gives them just seven relievers on the active roster, one fewer than they, and most teams, typically like to carry.

Of course, with the All-Star break arriving this current roster iteration is sure to be temporary.

But with unproven relievers Ryan Weber and Albert Abreu now potentially having to get some big outs during this Red Sox series, and the immense struggles of Aroldis Chapman as of late, the relief corps does not look as if it belongs to a team that's 34 games above .500.

Boone did elaborate on why the Yankees chose to call up Locastro rather than add another arm to bolster their most depleted unit.

Severino down, German up soon: Luis Severino will have some time on his hands in the next 14 days. The Yankees have given him instructions to not throw a baseball.

"It's probably going to be a two-week no-throw," Boone said before Saturday's game. "That could get sped up based on symptoms and everything, but we're probably looking at that. We're pretty optimistic that this is something we'll be able to get through."

Luckily, Domingo German is all but ready to join the big-league team again. German, 29, has not pitched for the Yankees at all this season because of impingement syndrome in his right shoulder.

But over the last month he's been pitching again. Starting in Single A and working his way up to Triple A, German has made five starts since June 22.

On Friday night he went six innings for the first time, allowing three hits and no runs to the Reds' Triple-A affiliate. German struck out one hitter in that outing.

Gallo getting a break: By now, you know how bad Joey Gallo has been at the plate.

A .161 average and .327 slugging percentage — particularly stomach-churning considering power is the main thing he brings to the table — make you feel for the guy. While his defense is a consistent positive, his 81 wRC+ makes him the 23rd-worst hitter in the league(minimum 250 plate appearances).

Gallo was not in the Yankee lineup Saturday and might not be Sunday either, as Boone explained that there's only so much playing time to go around. While he didn't say this outright, getting Gallo into the lineup isn't exactly a priority at the moment.

RED SOX 5, YANKEES 4 (11) LATE FRIDAY

Bogaerts scores on wild pitch in 11th

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Xander Bogaerts slid home on Michael King's wild pitch with two outs in the 11th inning, and the Boston Red Sox recovered from a meltdown in the ninth to beat the New York Yankees 5-4 Friday night for just their third win in 11 games.

All three of those Boston wins have come against the Yankees, who have the best record in the majors.

Rafael Devers, Christian Vázquez and Bobby Dalbec homered for the Red Sox, who arrived after getting swept in a four-game series at Tampa Bay.

New York has lost five of six, the worst stretch this season for the Yankees (62-28). Giancarlo Stanton hit a three-run homer off Nathan Eovaldi, who made his first start since June 8 after recovering from lower back inflammation.

Dalbec, in a 1-for-15 slide coming in, put the Red Sox ahead 4-3 in the seventh when he pulled a slider from Aroldis Chapman for his seventh home run this season.

New York tied it in the ninth off Tanner Houck (5-3), who blew a save for the first time in seven chances. Gleyber Torres reached on an infield hit, Matt Carpenter was hit by a pitch and Houck threw past third on Isiah Kiner-Falefa's bunt as Torres scored.

Houck got out of further trouble when Jose Trevino bounced into a 5-2-3 double play and DJ LeMahieu grounded out.

Clay Holmes struck out Bogaerts to strand the bases loaded in the 10th, and Houck escaped a first-and-third jam in the bottom half when Torres grounded into an inning-ending double play.

YARD GOATS 9, SENATORS 4

Toglia has big night as Yard Goats down Senators again

Staff Report

HARTFORD — The Yard Goats used two big innings and a four-hit night from Michael Toglia to defeat the Harrisburg Senators 9-4 in an Eastern League game on Saturday night at Dunkin' Donuts Park.

After Harrisburg opened the scoring in the fourth on a John Nogowski solo home run, Hartford (53-33) came back with four in the bottom of the fifth. Willie MacIver led off with a solo home run, his 12th. With two out and two on, Toglia connected on his 16th of the season and a 4-1 lead. The Senators briefly tied the game in the seventh on a fielder's choice ground out and a two-run homer by Andrew Young off Hartford starter Mitchell Kilkenny.

But Hartford came back in its half of the inning and blew the game open with five runs. Brenton Doyle had the big hit, a two-run double, but Grant Lavigne, Aaron Schunk and Isaac Collins also had RBI hits.

Yankees

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is: Are we better than the Astros? And if not, what do we have to do to be better, short of trading away any of our top prospects? With Domingo German coming back after the All-Star break, Clarke Schmidt pitching well at Triple-A and Severino presumably fully recovered by mid-August, Cashman probably feels he can address whatever starting pitching issues he has from within and there is no need for panic.

But like almost every other contender, the Yankees could always use another backend reliever and perhaps an extra left-handed outfield bat to replace Joey Gallo. Even though he's a rental, the Royals are said to be asking for a top prospect for Andrew Benintendi. A better bet is Arizona's 34-year-old David Peralta, who's also a rental and has 11 homers this year but wouldn't cost that much. In any case, putting Peraza, Anthony Volpe and Jasson Dominguez aside, Cashman still has plenty of capital within his system to get what he needs on the outfield/bullpen peripheries.

Meanwhile, the long season wasn't nearly long enough for Charlie Montoyo, who was fired as Blue Jays manager last Wednesday, following a 1-6 road trip through Oakland and Seattle that left his underperforming team in third place, 48-43, 14.5 games behind the Yankees — and right after he'd returned from attending the funeral of Julia Budzinski, the 17-year-old daughter of his first base coach Mark Budzinski.

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BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	62	28	.689	—	—	4-6	L-2	35-12	27-16
Tampa Bay	50	41	.549	12 ½	+1 ½	6-4	L-1	30-18	20-23
Toronto	49	43	.533	14	—	5-5	W-2	29-19	20-24
Boston	48	43	.527	14 ½	½	3-7	W-1	23-20	25-23
Baltimore	46	45	.505	1 6 ½	2 ½	9-1	W-1	25-17	21-28
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Minnesota	50	43	.538	—	—	4-6	W-1	27-21	23-22
Cleveland	46	44	.511	2 ½	2	6-4	W-3	25-19	21-25
Chicago	45	46	.495	4	3 ½	6-4	L-1	19-25	26-21
Detroit	37	55	.402	12 ½	12	2-8	L-4	23-24	14-31
Kansas City	36	55	.396	13	12 ½	6-4	L-2	19-27	17-28
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Houston	59	31	.656	—	—	6-4	W-1	28-13	31-18
Seattle	50	42	.543	10	+ 1	10-0	W-13	24-20	26-22
Texas	41	48	.461	17 ½	6 ½	4-6	L-3	21-25	20-23
Los Angeles	39	52	.429	20 ½	9 ½	2-8	L-2	22-26	17-26
Oakland	31	61	.337	29	18	4-6	L-1	11-31	20-30

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	57	34	.626	—	—	7-3	W-3	28-15	29-19
Atlanta	55	37	.598	2 ½	+6	7-3	W-2	31-20	24-17
Philadelphia	48	43	.527	9	½	5-5	W-2	24-21	24-22
Miami	43	47	.478	13 ½	5	4-6	L-2	22-21	21-26
Washington	30	62	.326	27 ½	19	1-9	L-8	14-35	16-27
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Milwaukee	50	41	.549	—	—	4-6	L-1	21-19	29-22
St. Louis	50	44	.532	1 ½	—	6-4	W-2	29-20	21-24
Pittsburgh	38	54	.413	12 ½	11	4-6	L-4	20-23	18-31
Chicago	34	56	.378	15 ½	14	2-8	L-8	17-31	17-25
Cincinnati	34	57	.374	16	14 ½	6-4	L-2	18-28	16-29
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Los Angeles	59	30	.663	—	—	9-1	W-3	30-13	29-17
San Diego	51	41	.554	9 ½	+2	4-6	W-1	24-20	27-21
San Francisco	46	43	.517	13	1 ½	6-4	W-1	24-22	22-21
Colorado	43	49	.467	17 ½	6	8-2	W-5	28-22	15-27
Arizona	39	51	.433	20 ½	9	3-7	L-3	22-26	17-25

BOX SCORES

N.Y. METS 2, CHICAGO CUBS 1 (11)

GAME 1

New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Nimmo cf	4	0	0	0	2	.271
Guillorme 2b	5	1	0	0	2	.294
Lindor ss	3	1	1	0	2	.245
Alonso dh	4	0	1	2	1	.268
McNeil lf	5	0	1	0	1	.308
Escobar 3b	4	0	0	0	3	.217
Do.Smith 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.194
2-Davis pr-1b	0	0	0	0	0	.240
Jankowski rf	3	0	0	0	2	.167
Mazeika c	3	0	1	0	0	.190
1-Canha pr	0	0	0	0	0	.273
Nido c	1	0	0	0	1	.210
TOTALS	**36**	**2**	**4**	**2**	**16**	
Chicago	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Ortega cf	4	0	0	0	3	.242
Contreras c	5	0	0	0	3	.254
Happ lf	5	0	0	0	1	.276
Suzuki rf	4	0	1	0	2	.261
Hoerner ss	3	1	0	0	0	.305
Schwindel 1b	3	0	2	1	0	.242
3-Velazquez pr	0	0	0	0	0	.224
Rivas 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.236
Wisdom dh	4	0	0	0	2	.221
Higgins 3b	3	0	1	0	2	.268
Morel 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.264
TOTALS	**35**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**13**	

New York	**000**	**100**	**000**	**01**	**—**	**2**	**4**	**0**
Chicago	**000**	**100**	**000**	**00**	**—**	**1**	**5**	**2**

1-ran for Mazeika in the 8th. 2-ran for Do.Smith in the 10th. 3-ran for Schwindel in the 10th. **E:** Higgins (3), Suzuki (3). **LOB:** New York 8, Chicago 7. **2B:** Alonso (15), Higgins (5). **RBIs:** Alonso 2 (76), Schwindel (34). SB: Hoerner (9), Velazquez (2), Morel (8). CS: Lindor (3). SF: Alonso. **Runners left in scoring position:** New York 4(Do.Smith, McNeil, Alonso, Guillorme); Chicago 3(Morel, Contreras, Happ). **RISP:** New York 1 for 9; Chicago 1for 11. **GIDP:** Ortega, Schwindel, Morel. **DP:** New York 3(Guillorme, Lindor, Do.Smith; Lindor, Guillorme, Do.Smith; Escobar, Guillorme, Do.Smith).

NEW YORK	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Walker	6	4	1	1	2	5	2.55
Lugo	1	1	0	0	1	1	3.86
Dr.Smith	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.97
Ottavino, W, 4-2	2	0	0	0	0	3	2.52
Diaz, S, 20-23	1	0	0	0	0	2	1.69
CHICAGO	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Stroman	4⅓	1	1	1	2	6	4.69
Hughes	1⅔	1	0	0	0	4	3.65
Wick	1⅔	1	0	0	1	2	4.81
Effross	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	3.00
Robertson	2	0	0	0	1	3	1.98
Givens, L, 5-1	1	1	1	0	0	1	2.97

Inherited runners-scored: Wick 1-0, Effross 2-0. **HBP:** Ottavino (Hoerner). **Umpires:** Home, Ramon De Jesus; First, Erich Bacchus; Second, Marvin Hudson; Third, Brennan Miller. T: 3:46. **A:** 39,219(41,649).

LATE FRIDAY: PHILADELPHIA 2, MIAMI 1

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Schwarber lf	4	0	0	0	4	.211
Hoskins 1b	3	1	0	0	1	.246
Castellanos rf	4	0	1	0	3	.251
Munoz 3b	0	0	0	0	0	.222
Hall dh	3	1	1	1	1	.250
Stubbs pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	.267
Realmuto c	4	0	3	1	0	.247
Stott 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.183
Vierling 3b-rf	3	0	0	0	2	.230
Gregorius ss	2	0	0	0	1	.234
Moniak cf	3	0	0	0	2	.130
TOTALS	**30**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**14**	
Miami	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Wendle 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.278
Cooper 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.291
Aguilar dh	4	0	1	0	0	.248
Soler lf	3	0	0	0	0	.214
Hamilton pr	0	0	0	0	0	.143
Garcia rf	2	1	0	0	1	.230
Anderson 3b	3	0	2	0	1	.261
De La Cruz cf	2	0	0	1	1	.210
b-Sanchez ph	1	0	0	0	0	.204
Rojas ss	4	0	0	0	3	.243
Stallings c	2	0	0	0	1	.181
Fortes ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	.269
TOTALS	**30**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**10**	

Philadelphia	**000**	**000**	**200**	**—**	**2**	**5**	**0**
Miami	**010**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**1**	**4**	**0**

LOB: Philadelphia 4, Miami 7. **2B:** Hall (4), Realmuto (12), Anderson (11), Wendle (10). **RBIs:** Hall (8), Realmuto (36), De La Cruz (19). SB: Gregorius (1), Realmuto (12), Garcia (4), Hamilton (4). SF: De La Cruz. **Runners left in scoring position:** Philadelphia 4(Stott 3, Schwarber); Miami 4(Cooper, Rojas 2, Stallings). **RISP:** Philadelphia 2for 6; Miami 0for 5. **GIDP:** Stott. **DP:** Miami 1(Cooper, Rojas).

PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gibson, W, 5-3	6	4	1	1	1	5	4.35
Alvarado, H, 8	1	0	0	0	0	3	4.50
Hand, H, 10	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.17
Dominguez, S, 4-5	1	0	0	0	3	1	1.85
MIAMI	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Alcantara, L, 9-4	8	4	2	2	2	12	1.76
Hernandez	1	1	0	0	1	2	6.11

Umpires: Home, Nate Tomlinson; First, Chris Conroy; Second, Ron Kulpa; Third, Carlos Torres. T: 3:04. **A:** 10,193 (36,742).

MINNESOTA 6, CHICAGO WHITE SOX 3

Chicago	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Anderson ss	5	1	1	0	1	.311
Moncada 3b	4	2	3	0	0	.209
Vaughn dh	4	0	2	2	1	.295
Abreu 1b	2	0	1	1	0	.303
Sheets rf	4	0	0	0	1	.228
Pollock lf	4	0	0	0	1	.227
Harrison 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.228
Zavala c	4	0	0	0	2	.288
Engel cf	4	0	2	0	0	.245
TOTALS	**35**	**3**	**9**	**3**	**7**	
Minnesota	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Duran p-p	0	0	0	0	0	---
Arraez 1b	4	1	1	1	1	.342
Correa ss	4	1	2	2	0	.282
Buxton dh-cf	4	1	1	0	3	.218
Kepler rf	4	1	1	0	1	.248
Polanco 2b	4	1	2	3	1	.246
Kirilloff lf	4	0	1	0	1	.267
Gordon cf	2	0	0	0	1	.262
a-Garlick ph	1	0	0	0	1	.276
Celestino cf-lf	1	0	0	0	0	.270
Urshela 3b	3	0	1	0	1	.261
Sanchez c	3	1	1	0	1	.219
TOTALS	**34**	**6**	**10**	**6**	**11**	

Chicago	**000**	**102**	**000**	**—**	**3**	**9**	**0**
Minnesota	**105**	**000**	**00x**	**—**	**6**	**10**	**0**

a-struck out for Gordon in the 6th.

LOB: Chicago 7, Minnesota 6. **2B:** Vaughn (16), Moncada (6), Urshela (16). **HR:** Arraez (5), off Lynn; Correa (11), off Lynn; Polanco (14), off Lynn. **RBIs:** Abreu (46), Vaughn 2(45), Arraez (30), Correa 2(33), Polanco 3(48).

Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 4(Anderson, Pollock 2, Sheets); Minnesota 2(Arraez 2). **RISP:** Chicago 2for 9; Minnesota 1for 2. **Runners moved up:** Abreu. **GIDP:** Pollock. **DP:** Minnesota 1(Urshela, Polanco, Arraez).

CHICAGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lynn, L, 1-3	5	7	6	6	0	6	7.50
Banks	⅔	2	0	0	0	1	3.05
Foster	⅓	0	0	0	1	0	4.71
Ruiz	1	1	0	0	0	2	3.72
Lambert	1	0	0	0	1	2	2.66
MINNESOTA	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Bundy, W, 6-4	5⅓	5	3	3	1	3	4.71
Megill, H, 1	⅔	0	0	0	1	0	2.25
Jax, H, 9	1	1	0	0	0	1	3.20
Duran, S, 6-6	2	3	0	0	0	3	2.36

Inherited runners-scored: Foster 2-0, Megill 1-0. **WP:** Duran. PB: Sanchez (4). **Umpires:** Home, Jeremie Rehak; First, Nestor Ceja; Second, Alfonso Marquez; Third, Lance Barrett. T: 3:12. **A:** 28,514(38,544).

LATE FRIDAY: CHI. WHITE SOX 6, MINNESOTA 2

Chicago	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Anderson ss	5	2	2	1	0	.313
Moncada 3b	4	2	1	0	2	.196
Robert cf	0	1	0	0	0	.301
Engel cf	3	1	1	3	0	.239
Abreu 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.302
Vaughn dh	4	0	2	2	1	.292
Pollock lf	4	0	0	0	1	.231
Garcia rf	4	0	0	0	1	.204
Harrison 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.232
McGuire c	4	0	1	0	3	.224
TOTALS	**35**	**6**	**8**	**6**	**9**	
Minnesota	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Arraez 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.343
Correa ss	4	1	1	0	0	.279
Buxton dh	3	1	2	0	0	.217
Kepler rf	4	0	0	0	1	.248
Polanco 2b	2	0	1	0	0	.243
Kirilloff lf	4	0	1	2	1	.267
Miranda 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.254
Gordon cf	4	0	0	0	2	.264
Sanchez c	4	0	1	0	0	.218
TOTALS	**32**	**2**	**7**	**2**	**5**	

Chicago	**200**	**100**	**300**	**—**	**6**	**8**	**1**
Minnesota	**200**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**2**	**7**	**0**

E: Robert (2). **LOB:** Chicago 5, Minnesota 7. **2B:** McGuire (8), Kirilloff (7). HR: Anderson (6), off Pagan; Engel (2), off Jax. **RBIs:** Vaughn 2(43), Anderson (22), Engel 3(13), Kirilloff 2 (20). **Runners left in scoring position:** Chicago 3(Moncada, Garcia 2); Minnesota 3(Miranda 3). **RISP:** Chicago 2 for 8; Minnesota 2for 8. **DP:** Chicago 2 (Anderson, Harrison, Abreu; Anderson, Abreu).

CHICAGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Kopech, W, 3-6	5	5	2	2	4	2	3.36
Kelly, H, 8	1	0	0	0	0	2	8.04
Lopez	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.79
Graveman	1	2	0	0	0	0	2.21
Hendriks	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.35
MINNESOTA	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Smeltzer	3	5	2	2	2	1	4.02
Pagan, L, 3-4	1	1	1	1	0	2	5.12
Duffey	1⅓	0	0	0	0	0	3.99
Thielbar	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.98
Jax	⅔	2	3	3	1	1	3.27
Moran	2	0	0	0	0	4	1.00

Umpires: Home, Lance Barrett; First, Jeremie Rehak; Second, Nestor Ceja; Third, Alfonso Marquez. T: 3:09. **A:** 27,021(38,544).

PHILADELPHIA 10, MIAMI 0

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Schwarber lf	5	1	1	1	2	.211
Hoskins 1b	4	1	1	1	1	.246
a-Cmrgo ph1b2b	1	0	1	0	0	.236
Castellanos rf	3	1	1	0	1	.251
b-Herrera ph-rf	1	0	1	0	0	.244
Hall dh-1b	5	2	2	0	1	.262
Realmuto c	4	2	2	2	1	.251
c-Stubbs ph-c	1	0	0	0	1	.262
Stott 2b-ss	5	1	2	1	1	.188
Bohm 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.273
Gregorius ss	4	1	2	4	0	.240
Romero p	0	0	0	0	0	---
Vierling cf	4	0	1	0	0	.231
TOTALS	**41**	**10**	**15**	**10**	**8**	
Miami	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Rojas ss	4	0	0	0	1	.239
Cooper dh	4	0	0	0	2	.287
Aguilar 1b	3	0	2	0	0	.252
Fortes 1b	1	0	0	0	0	.265
Soler lf	3	0	0	0	2	.212
Sanchez rf	1	0	0	0	1	.203
Garcia rf	3	0	0	0	2	.228
Hamilton cf	0	0	0	0	0	.143
Anderson 3b	3	0	1	0	0	.262
De La Cruz cf-lf	3	0	0	0	0	.207
Williams 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.276
Stallings c	3	0	1	0	0	.184
TOTALS	**31**	**0**	**5**	**0**	**9**	

Philadelphia	**000**	**203**	**050**	**—**	**10**	**15**	**0**
Miami	**000**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**0**	**5**	**0**

a-singled for Hoskins in the 8th. b-singled for Castellanos in the 8th. c-struck out for Realmuto in the 9th. **LOB:** Philadelphia 6, Miami 4. **2B:** Castellanos (20), Stott 2(6), Realmuto (13), Hall (5), Williams (3). HR: Realmuto (8), off Meyer; Hoskins (19), off Meyer; Gregorius (1), off Poteet; Schwarber (29), off Poteet. **RBIs:** Realmuto 2(38), Hoskins (44), Gregorius 4(17), Stott (26), Bohm (34), Schwarber (58). CS: Vierling (3). **GIDP:** De La Cruz. **DP:** Philadelphia 1 (Stott, Hoskins).

PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Suarez, W, 7-5	5	4	0	0	0	4	4.07
Bellatti	1	1	0	0	0	3	3.52
Brogdon	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.93
Nelson	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.09
Romero	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.00
MIAMI	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Meyer, L, 0-1	5⅓	7	5	5	1	5	8.44
Bleier	⅔	1	0	0	1	1	4.15
Poteet	2	7	5	5	0	1	3.86
Pop	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.57

Inherited runners-scored: Bleier 2-2. IBB: off Bleier (Bohm). **Umpires:** Home, Chris Conroy; First, Ron Kulpa; Second, Carlos Torres; Third, Nate Tomlinson. T: 2:52. **A:** 13,497(36,742).

LATE FRIDAY: BOSTON 5, N.Y. YANKEES 4 (11)

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Refsnyder rf	4	1	1	0	3	.333
Devers 3b	4	1	1	2	0	.326
Martinez dh	5	0	2	0	1	.308
Bogaerts ss	5	1	2	0	1	.318
Verdugo lf	5	0	0	0	0	.264
Vazquez c	5	1	1	1	1	.279
Dalbec 1b	5	1	2	1	2	.208
Bradley Jr. cf	4	0	0	0	0	.203
Downs 2b	4	0	0	0	3	.158
TOTALS	**41**	**5**	**9**	**4**	**11**	
New York	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
LeMahieu 3b	5	1	3	0	0	.272
Judge cf	5	0	0	0	2	.274
Rizzo 1b	3	1	0	0	0	.221
Stanton rf	5	1	2	3	1	.236
Torres 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.273
Carpenter dh	3	0	2	0	1	.352
Gonzalz pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	.241
Donaldson ph	1	0	0	0	1	.224
Kiner-Falefa ss	5	0	1	0	1	.272
Higashioka c	2	0	0	0	0	.171
Hicks ph-lf	2	0	0	0	1	.235
Gallo lf	3	0	0	0	2	.161
Trevino c	1	0	0	0	0	.253
TOTALS	**39**	**4**	**9**	**3**	**10**	

Boston	**200**	**100**	**100**	**01**	**—**	**5**	**9**	**1**
New York	**003**	**000**	**001**	**00**	**—**	**4**	**9**	**0**

E: Houck (1). **LOB:** Boston 7, New York 9. **2B:** Martinez (30), Kiner-Falefa (15), Carpenter (4). HR: Devers (21), off Montgomery; Vazquez (6), off Montgomery; Dalbec (7), off Chapman; Stanton (24), off Eovaldi. **RBIs:** Devers 2(54), Vazquez (36), Dalbec (22), Stanton 3(61). **Runners left in scoring position:** Boston 4(Bogaerts 2, Dalbec, Martinez); New York 6(Kiner-Falefa, Hicks, Gallo, Higashioka, LeMahieu 2). **DP:** Boston 4(Dalbec, Devers, Dalbec; Dalbec, Bogaerts; Devers, Vazquez, Dalbec; Downs, Bogaerts, Dalbec); New York 1(Kiner-Falefa, Rizzo).

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Eovaldi	4⅓	6	3	3	2	4	3.34
Schreiber	1⅔	1	0	0	0	1	1.10
Whitlock, H, 1	2	0	0	0	0	3	3.38
Houck, W, 5-3	2	2	1	0	2	0	3.21
Brasier, S, 1-4	1	0	0	0	0	2	4.46
NEW YORK	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Montgomery	6	6	3	3	1	4	3.26
Chapman	1	1	1	1	0	2	4.74
Peralta	2	1	0	0	0	2	2.27
Holmes	1	1	0	0	1	3	1.31
King, L, 6-2	1	0	1	0	0	0	2.19

Inherited runners-scored: Schreiber 1-0. IBB: off Houck (Hicks), off Holmes (Devers), off Houck (Rizzo). **HBP:** Houck (Carpenter). **WP:** King. **Umpires:** Home, D.J. Reyburn; First, John Libka; Second, Jansen Visconti; Third, Jim Reynolds. T: 4:00. **A:** 47,573(47,309).

BALTIMORE 6, TAMPA BAY 4 (11)

Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	4	1	0	0	1	.260
Mancini dh	5	0	0	0	2	.281
Mountcastle 1b	5	0	1	2	0	.270
Santander lf	4	1	1	0	0	.238
McKenna lf	0	0	0	0	0	.253
Hays rf	4	1	0	0	2	.267
Urias 2b-3b	4	1	2	1	0	.255
Nevin 3b	2	0	1	1	0	.191
a-Rtschmn ph-c	1	1	1	2	0	.215
Chirinos c	2	0	0	0	1	.162
b-Odor ph-2b	2	0	0	0	1	.198
Mateo ss	4	1	2	0	1	.204
TOTALS	**37**	**6**	**8**	**6**	**8**	
Tampa Bay	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Diaz dh	4	0	0	0	0	.294
B.Lowe 2b	4	3	2	0	1	.221
Ramirez rf	3	0	1	0	0	.329
Phillips cf	0	0	0	0	0	.144
Choi 1b	5	0	1	1	1	.278
Arozarena lf	4	1	2	1	0	.251
J.Lowe cf-rf	4	0	1	0	2	.197
Paredes 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.231
Walls ss	5	0	2	0	1	.176
Bethancourt c	4	0	0	0	2	.244
c-L.Raley ph	1	0	0	0	0	.059
TOTALS	**38**	**4**	**10**	**2**	**8**	

Baltimore	**010**	**010**	**010**	**12**	**—**	**6**	**8**	**0**
Tampa Bay	**102**	**000**	**000**	**10**	**—**	**4**	**10**	**0**

a-homered for Nevin in the 8th. b-flied out for Chirinos in the 8th. c-flied out for Bethancourt in the 11th. **LOB:** Baltimore 3, Tampa Bay 10. **2B:** Santander (11), Urias 2(12), J.Lowe (10), Walls (11). 3B: Mateo (4). HR: Rutschman (5), off Adam; Arozarena (11), off Kremer. **RBIs:** Urias (30), Nevin (15), Rutschman 2(15), Mountcastle 2(46), Arozarena (41), Choi (41). SB: Arozarena (19), Mullins (19). CS: Mateo (4), Arozarena (8), Odor (1). SF: Rutschman. S: Phillips. **Runners left in scoring position:** Baltimore 1(Chirinos); Tampa Bay 6 (L.Raley, Arozarena, Paredes 2, J.Lowe, Bethancourt).. **DP:** Baltimore 3(Nevin, Urias, Mountcastle; Urias, Mateo, Mountcastle; Mateo, Odor, Mountcastle); Tampa Bay 1(Paredes, B.Lowe, Choi).

BALTIMORE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Kremer	4	8	3	3	0	2	2.59
Voth	2⅓	1	0	0	1	2	3.42
Akin	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.26
Tate	⅔	0	0	0	2	0	2.51
Lopez, W, 4-5	2	1	1	0	0	3	1.62
Perez, H, 14	⅔	0	0	0	1	1	1.45
Krehbiel, S, 1-1	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	2.25
TAMPA BAY	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Yarbrough	5⅓	5	2	2	0	4	5.49
Wisler, H, 7	1⅔	0	0	0	0	0	2.36
Adam, BS, 3-4	1	1	1	1	0	1	1.45
Thompson	1	0	0	0	0	2	4.26
Poche	1	0	1	0	0	1	2.35
Bard, L, 1-1	1	2	2	2	1	0	2.70

Inherited runners-scored: Krehbiel 2-0. **HBP:** Kremer (Ramirez), Thompson (Santander), Lopez (Diaz). **WP:** Kremer(2). **Umpires:** Home, Chad Whitson; First, Nick Mahrley; Second, Jerry Layne; Third, Adam Hamari. T: 3:51. **A:** 19,886(25,000).

LATE FRIDAY: ATLANTA 8, WASHINGTON 4

Atlanta	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Acuna Jr. rf	5	1	1	0	2	.270
Swanson ss	4	1	1	0	0	.293
Olson 1b	5	1	3	3	1	.256
Riley 3b	5	1	1	2	1	.282
Duvall lf	5	2	3	1	1	.211
Ozuna dh	5	0	0	0	2	.224
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NFL NOTES

Taking an early look at what the Patriots face

Training camp will give team a chance to address questions

By Nicole Yang
Boston Globe

Quarterback Mac Jones gets a thumbs up from Coach Joe Judge during New England Patriots mini camp at Gillette Stadium on June 7 in Foxboro, MA. NANCY LANE/BOSTON HERALD

NFL training camps kick off in less than two weeks, with the Patriots set to hold their first practice on July 27.

After a disappointing finish last season, culminating in the wild-card round with a good ol' fashioned beatdown by the Bills, the Patriots have their work cut out for them in 2022. Their schedule features some challenging conference opponents, such as the Raiders, Bengals, and Ravens.

But everything starts with the division, which makes up just over a third of New England's games. Once the kings of the AFC East, highlighted by an 11-season streak at the top, the Patriots find themselves trying to keep up with the mighty Bills. The Dolphins also seem ready to compete, retooling this offseason by hiring coach Mike McDaniel and trading for wide receiver Tyreek Hill, while the Jets' roster is shaping up, as well.

Let's take a trip around the division to preview some of the questions facing each team ahead of training camp. Starting with the Patriots:

1. Will Mac Jones have a go-to guy?: Former Patriots player personnel executive Scott Pioli raised this question this past week.

"Who is the guy that [Mac] can count on?" Pioli said on NFL Network. "Tom Brady always had a go-to guy, and those guys were generally versatile, smart, and dependable. Mac needs to find out who those guys are, or who that singular guy is in order to make things go to the next level for him at the quarterback position."

Jones's top receiver last year was Jakobi Meyers, who hauled in 83 passes for 866 yards and two touchdowns. Meyers has become a reliable target over the past two seasons, showing off his toughness on several occasions with critical third-down receptions.

As a rookie, Jones also established a strong rapport with wide receiver Kendrick Bourne, whose 55-catch, 800-yard season cashed a few contract incentives, and tight end Hunter Henry, who led the team in receiving touchdowns with nine.

The offense, on paper, certainly looks promising, even without an elite pass catcher. Bourne and Henry will be back with a year of experience in the Patriots' system. Tight end Jonnu Smith has the potential to bounce back after a disappointing 2021. Trade acquisition DeVante Parker should be in the mix as a downfield threat. The same goes for Nelson Agholor. Tre Nixon, hand-selected by Ernie Adams in the seventh round in 2021, and Tyquan Thornton, drafted in the second round this year, could earn some snaps, too.

2. How will the offensive line fare?: In order for the offense to operate at a high level, protecting Jones will be key. The Patriots lost two of their starting offensive linemen as well as their position coach this offseason, so changes are coming.

The official depth chart lists Isaiah Wynn at left tackle, first-round draft pick Cole Strange at left guard, David Andrews at center, Mike Onwenu at right guard, and Trent Brown at right tackle. But the tackle positions seem fluid, as Wynn lined up on the right side during minicamp.

The line, plagued by a lack of continuity, got off to a rocky start last season. The unit could be in for a similar start this year. Even though Joe Burrow advanced to the Super Bowl as the most-sacked quarterback of the regular season, the O-line needs to limit its number of penalties and hits allowed in order to give Jones his best chance.

3. How does the secondary hold up without J.C. Jackson? The Patriots will face some elite wide receivers this season — Hill, Davante Adams, Justin Jefferson, Ja'Marr Chase, and DeAndre Hopkins — but they'll be without Jackson, the cornerback who would normally take on those assignments last season.

While safety remains one of the Patriots' greatest strengths, cornerback is arguably one of their bigger question marks.Jonathan Jones will be back after suffering a season-ending shoulder injury, so his return to the slot will be beneficial.

As for the rest of the AFC East

1. Can the Bills advance to the Super Bowl?: It may seem silly to ask this question ahead of training camp, but the Bills are the preseason favorites to win the Super Bowl and for good reason. Just look at the way they dismantled the Patriots' defense in the wild-card round and then went toe-to-toe with the Chiefs in the divisional round.

2. How will Tua Tagovailoa perform with a revamped offense?: With Hill, wide receiver Jaylen Waddle, running back Raheem Mostert, tight end Mike Gesicki, and offensive tackle Terron Armstead, the Dolphins boast their best roster since drafting Tagovailoa fifth overall in 2020. This year will certainly be informative, especially considering the team's looming decision on Tagovailoa's fifth-year option.

3. How ready is the Jets' youth?: The Jets have collected a number of talented young players, most recently with their 2022 draft class, led by cornerback Sauce Gardner, wide receiver Garrett Wilson, edge rusher Jermaine Johnson, and running back Breece Hall. While the Jets seemed destined for a fourth-place finish, they may no longer be a walkover. Since 2016, the Patriots are 12-0 against the Jets with an average margin of victory of 20 points.

NBA

Ex-UConn star signs contract with Atlanta

By Shreyas Laddha

Former UConn star Tyrese Martin signed a multiyear deal with the NBA's Atlanta Hawks, the team announced on Saturday.

Exact details of the contract were not released, per team policy.

Through four games with the Hawks in the NBA's Las Vegas Summer League, Martin averaged 12 points, 3.8 rebounds, and 1.8 assists while shooting 47.5% from the field.

Martin was selected 51st overall by the Golden State Warriors in the second round of the NBA Draft but was quickly traded to Atlanta.

The Hawks sent the No. 44 pick, Ryan Rollins, for the No. 51 pick and $2 million.

After transferring from the University of Rhode Island before the 2020-21 season, the 6-foot-6 guard from Allentown, Pennsylvania, played two seasons with UConn. He averaged a career-high 13.6 points and 7.5 rebounds while shooting 43% from the 3-point line in the 2021-22 season.

Ball

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Family affair

Solomon isn't the only member of his family to be an elite basketball player. His cousin, Jaime Nared, was drafted by the WNBA's Las Vegas Aces in 2018. Another cousin, Jackie Nared, played college basketball in Maryland. So it was no surprise Solomon eventually fell in love with the game.

"It was going to happen," Solomon said. "It was just a matter of when."

Mike also coached Solomon's travel team, teaching his son the game's fundamentals and making sure he played the right way.

"As I began coaching him I demanded a high level of excellence from him as I did from other players," Mike said. "There are just some things he had to do. If he didn't do it he would have to come out of the game. Like taking charges, I don't care what the score is but if you let somebody waltz down the lane you are going to sit down for two minutes. It's just how it works."

Mike didn't make anything easy for his son. He always made sure Solomon stayed in the gym longer than his teammates. When they watched games together Solomon would do pushups during commercial breaks.

"I would not give anybody the satisfaction of thinking they outworked Solo, and Solo adapted to that quickly," Mike said. "Solo won't let anybody outwork him."

Meanwhile, Solomon embraced his dad's style.

"He was really hard on me," Solomon said. "I didn't care, though. If he yells at me, so what. He's just trying to get me better."

Sometimes Mike's coaching got him in trouble with his wife.

"Let me tell you something, man, I missed a lot of meals because of (intense coaching)," Mike said. "I had to sleep on the couch; it was all good. I knew it was a process. She's a mama bear, and doesn't want me to be hard on Solo.

"There are times when I had to tell Solo, 'I'm the coach right now, not dad. I still love you but you have got to hear it this way. You have to learn how to take this harsh criticism.' I had to coach him really hard."

In many ways UConn coach Dan Hurley reminds Solomon of his dad.

"You see how Hurley coaches, he just wants to win," he said. "You are going to hear his voice and you are going to hear it over a lot of people, even in a big crowd. That's the way my dad was. That kind of energy fires me up."

Both of Solomon's parents pushed him to succeed off the court. They made sure he excelled in school and even prepared him for dealing with the media. Since he was 13 Solomon would get interviewed at the dinner table by his parents.

However his parents were hands off when it came to what college Solomon would attend. Still, Mike feels good about his son's choice.

"I'm certain that UConn is the home for Solo."

Evolving his game

Solomon Ball started receiving Division I attention in 2020 after holding his own against current NBA players Scottie Barnes and Cade Cunningham when they played for Monteverde Academy, a prep school in Monteverde, Florida. His first offer came from Howard University, but he wasn't close then to the player he is now. At that time he was 5-10 and 145 pounds.

"The player I was before, I was a knockdown shooter," he said. "I would shoot from beyond NBA range and off the dribble."

Since then he's grown five inches and added 40 pounds. He has a 45-inch vertical and compares his style of play to NBA star Russell Westbrook. Ball consumes about 4,000 calories each day and lives in the weight room.

"Now I mix it up," he said. "I score at the rim a lot more and score above the rim."

He credits much of his improvement to his trainer, Art Claybon, who he's trained with since 2016.

"We mainly focused on intensified ball-handling drills, finishing drills and shooting drills all with contact from bigger defenders, so he got comfortable with that physicality at his size," Claybon said

Now they focus more on change of pace, direction and working on getting to his spots on the court.

Last season at St. James, Ball averaged 25.4 points, 5.3 rebounds and 2.8 assists. He plans to play his senior season at Brewster Academy in New Hampshire.

Claybon's biggest challenge is ensuring Ball finds the balance between his athleticism and his previous skills before his growth spurt. So he's put Ball through all the same drills he does with his NBA clients, and against them, too.

"I put Solo in those groups because I want him to be able to pick guy's brains who are better than him and where he wants to be," Claybon said. "He soaks it all up."

Ball knows his strengths. "Getting to the rim," he said, "fast breaks, offensive rebounding and being a three-level scorer." He feels his biggest weakness is consistency with his 3s and not taking more shots despite usually having great efficiency from the field.

After games with Team Melo in the Nike Elite Youth Basketball League Ball frequently asks UConn coaches what he can improve on. He wants to make an immediate impact when he arrives in Storrs. He thinks his athleticism will translate right away in his first season but knows his shooting is the key.

"I think shooting is going to be a big piece of me getting to where I want to get," Ball said. "My goal is 40% from 3 or as close to it as possible."

Finding the right fit

Ball remembers watching Hurley at the Battle 4 Atlantis tournament in November and being in awe. From that moment he knew who he wanted to play for.

"He really liked how Coach Hurley supported (UConn guard) Jordan Hawkins when he turned the ball over against Auburn," Mike said. "Then they went into overtime and he put him back in the game. That stuck with him. He noticed how he would chest-bump the guys, and he was just fiery."

He never envisioned he would get an offer from the Huskies in April, but it became real when the UConn coaching staff came to see him play at St. James.

Assistant coach Luke Murray and Hurley frequently kept in touch, and Solomon felt Murray did an excellent job of not overdoing it; all the texts felt meaningful.

"It didn't seem like he (Murray) was trying to text other people," he said. "It seemed like he was trying to text me."

For Ball, getting the UConn offer was truly special, but he also had 23 others to consider. Ultimately it came down to UConn and the University of Southern California.

But his official visit sold Ball on the Huskies. Mike also felt the relationship Solomon had built with Hurley had tipped the balance in UConn's favor. In many ways, Ball is the epitome of the high-character players Hurley tries to recruit.

"He is, without a doubt, the hardest-working basketball player I've ever been around," Claybon said. "He is a winner. The dude understands what it takes to win. As long as he's at UConn, they are going to be in a great position to win. He's going to push the needle forward and his work ethic is contagious."

Ball has big goals for his time at UConn. He wants to be a top Big East freshman and eventually Big East Player of the Year. He also hopes for a deep NCAA tournament run.

"I think it's possible; I just need to put in a lot of work," he said. "It's going to take a lot of steps, but I am definitely ready for it. In the matter of a year, I am going to be so much better."

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They grew up in Edmonton, three years apart, and had not been on the same team since they were very young.

"I had always wondered what kind of teammate he would be," Dave said. "How other players responded to him. But he fit right in, too. I'm glad I got a chance to do that before he finished."

The logo, as Dave Babych pointed out, is still everywhere. If they throw on a Whalers cap it's recognized immediately. And when they come back they're sure to be reminded, as the sight of them reminds us, of that magical spring when the Whalers caught fire over the last 20 games to make the playoffs, then knocked off top-seeded Quebec and took Montreal to Game 7 where Claude (flippin') Lemieux scored the goal to end it.

And yet the Whalers came home to a hero's welcome, a parade downtown.

"When they told us they wanted to have a parade, we were looking at each other, 'Are you kidding?' " Dave said. "But they were out there. It wasn't fabricated, you couldn't fabricate something like that. And it was terrific, much appreciated on our side. The response was terrific."

Wayne Babych had 11 goals and 17 assists in 41 games before injuries forced him to retire in 1987. Dave played six seasons in Hartford, getting 240 points.

"The fans here, it's a different kind of fan base," Wayne Babych said. "Everybody knows you. To this day, you have a base of fans that are second to none. It opens your eyes to what kind of fans they had here. I'd never seen that anywhere before, I'll never forget that, a parade after losing. It was great to be a part of it, that's for sure."

Charlie Eshbach: An appreciation

When they were graduating from UConn, Charlie Eshbach, his roommate Bob Klein and their friends were talking about the jobs they'd be starting. Eshbach said he'd be making $2 an hour.

"I said, 'You can't take that job,' " Klein remembered. "He said, 'I want to be in baseball.' And he took it."

Eshbach worked in sports information at UConn, doing stats for Andy Baylock's baseball team. By the age of 22, Eshbach was the GM of the Bristol Red Sox, and he spent the next 45 years in minor league baseball. Eshbach, 70, died this week.

"In 1975, when the Red Sox made it to the World Series, they brought him from Bristol to Fenway Park, and he was distributing tickets to the dignitaries," Klein said. "And he went to Russia twice to introduce baseball."

Eshbach became Eastern League president at age 29 and helped stabilize the league. In 1992 he went to Portland, Maine, to launch the Sea Dogs' franchise and turned it into a lasting success.

"I was at a team picnic," Klein said, "and President [George H.W.] Bush and his wife were there, and I remember Barbara Bush's words about Charlie. She asked where he was, and she said, 'He is a good man. A good man.' They loved him. He was devoted."

Deadline deals to come

With the Red Sox and Yankees playing this weekend, talk of trade deadline deals will be heating up. Same for the Mets. Look for all three to be making major moves before Aug. 2.

In 1998, with the Yankees steamrolling like they are, or at least were, this season, rookie GM Brian Cashman resisted intense pressure to trade for Randy Johnson. Before the first game of the World Series, he told me his best move that year was leaving that record-setting roster alone and, of course, it proved to be a great call. It's still one of his best decisions, or non-decisions.

But though the records are similar, this Yankee team is not the '98 Yankees and could use some adjustment, a lefty bat, outfield depth and defense, starting and relief pitching. The Red Sox, who will be in a tough wild card race, can use a first baseman, and pitching, pitching, pitching. The Mets need a big bat and are well positioned, with the DH spot available.

Buyers beware: if the playoffs go through Toronto, where vaccination is required, acquiring non-vaccinated players could be complicated.

Hartford Public HOF

Hartford Public's Athletic Hall of Fame raises money for scholarships for students, and is looking to top the $8,000 it raised last year. The Hall is inducting a long list of alums this year, including the 1994 state championship football team.

There is a golf outing at Goodwin Park Sept 17. Induction is Oct. 9 at the Chowder Pot in Hartford. Visithphsathletichof.com for more information, and how to donate.

Summer Reading

Add this to your list. David Maraniss, author of a number of brilliant sports and nonsports books, including landmark biographies of Vince Lombardi and Roberto Clemente, has a book on Jim Thorpe, "A Path Lit By Lightning" coming out next month. This figures to be a terrific match of author and a subject about which sports fans cannot learn enough.

Fun fact: Thorpe played for the Hartford Senators for a few weeks in 1922 and hit .354, hitting two homers in a game at Springfield, but was released after a confrontation with fans, who had been hurling racist taunts, in New Haven.

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That was day 148 of her detainment, which has been classified as wrongful by the U.S. government.

Sunday marks 150 days that the WNBA star has been held on foreign soil, five months that she's been stuck in the middle of a tense geopolitical situation and away from her wife, Cherelle, family and friends.

WNBA players have long been at the forefront of social justice movements, setting the stage for other sports leagues. They've collectively taken a stand against police brutality with the Black Lives Matter and Say Her Name campaigns, pushed against voter suppression, raised awareness on gun violence and been steady advocates for LGBTQ+ rights. Now they've joined together to fight for one of their own and put pressure on President Joe Biden's administration to do anything and everything it can to get Griner home safely.

"These past issues, they've definitely been close to the heart with Black Lives Matter movement and police brutality," said Connecticut Sun star Jonquel Jones, who is also Griner's teammate in Russia. "But I think it's not until you have one of your own in that situation that you can like fully grasp and understand just how personal, how emotional it is, you know? So it's definitely been tough.

"Every time you see something on the news or media outlets it just hits you hard again. The faster we can bring her home, the better it's going to be for everybody. And we're' not even thinking about the basketball side of everything, we're thinking about the mental side of it, and her just being stable and being home and being in a loving and healthy environment."

Looking back at the last 150 days

To subsidize their income, the majority of WNBA players spend the offseason playing overseas. Griner has played for UMMC Ekaterinburg in Russia since 2015. She reportedly had a salary of over $1 million for the Euroleague club, while she made $221,000 for the Mercury last season.

The 31-year-old was taken into custody at a Moscow airport on Feb. 17 after authorities allegedly found vape cartridges that contained hashish oil in her luggage. She is under criminal investigation for large-scale transportation of drugs which can carry a sentence of up to 10 years.

Russia invaded Ukraine a week after Griner's arrest on Feb. 24, making the situation all the more complex as tensions rose with the United States. Other WNBA players in Russia cut their international seasons short and left soon after. Meanwhile, Griner's situation was kept quiet until March 5 when the Russian Federal Customs Service released a video of the 6-foot-9 center going through airport security.

As one of Griner's teammates overseas, Jones knew well before then, and it's been weighing heavily on her since. She and other players were unsure if they'd be able to get out of the country themselves. While there was a momentary sigh of relief once they landed in Turkey, it came with the pain that Griner wasn't with them.

"There was always that feeling of knowing we left one of ours over there," Jones said. "We left BG over there, we left her in a country that's warring with her country — her being a U.S. citizen — so it was really hard. It was extremely hard. ... And then to see that she's still there so long after, it's just disheartening."

Players were initially asked to not speak publicly about Griner's detainment in an effort to avoid her becoming a political pawn. But once the U.S. classified her as "wrongfully detained" on May 3, they got the green light, and the rhetoric shifted. That same day, Breanna Stewart used her Twitter platform to bring awareness to Griner's situation.

Stewart previously played on UMMC Ekaterinburg with Griner, and they were also on the U.S. National Team together across multiple Olympics and World Championships.

"She's just very fun loving, someone that will do anything for others," Stewart said of Griner. "I miss her, and it's sad when you think about it because she's not here."

By the time she was drafted in 2016, Jones had already been looking up to Griner for a long time. She watched Griner throughout high school and college, and seeing her and other players be open about their sexuality gave Jones hope that she could eventually do the same one day. After Jones' signed with the Russian club in 2018, Griner approached her after a WNBA game and expressed excitement to play together.

"I didn't really know her at the time but she was already telling me that she was going to look out for me, and that it was going to be OK over there," Jones said. "So that meant a lot to me, and I really appreciated it, especially with me being that young kid that used to watch her play all the time."

Jones relished the opportunity to get to know Griner on a more personal level as teammates overseas. She often went over to the Griners' apartment in Russia. They'd cook dinner for her and all spent time together watching basketball, playing video games and card games, or just hanging out. Jones knows those seem like normal things, but having that support system has been crucial to getting through overseas seasons away from family and friends.

"I feel like a lot of BG is misunderstood," Jones said. "She puts on a tough exterior, but she's one of the most loving people that you'll be around. ... Ultimately when you get to know her you realize just how exceptional she is."

Skylar Diggins-Smith is Brittney Griner's Phoenix Mercury and Team USA teammate. **DARRYL WEBB/AP**

WNBA players lead movement for Griner's return

A poignant sentiment that's repeatedly been shared as Griner's situation has unfolded is how different the public outrage and cry for government action might be if this were an NBA player detained.

Creating that attention is part of what players have described as one of the driving points behind the "We Are BG" movement. They hope keeping the public aware and creating understanding of how important it is to get Griner home as soon as possible will create more pressure on the Biden administration to do everything possible to get her home safely as soon as possible.

Since the start of the season on May 6, each WNBA team has displayed BG 42 decals on the courts of their respective arenas. All 12 league markets have also gotten involved in BG's Heart and Sole Shoe Drive, which Griner started in 2016 to provide shoes to the homeless in Arizona.

"Just trying to embody her spirit and what she brings to this league," said Skylar Diggins-Smith, Griner's Mercury and Team USA teammate. "I just remember all the thankless things she did for people, and just trying to carry on that legacy and hold it down for her until she gives back. We really don't have a league without her and just having her representation. And saying her name, amplifying her name, is so important."

"We Are BG" pins have been worn by players throughout the last several months. The same can be said for a series of sweatshirts and T-shirts, including a black and orange "We Are BG" design that has a QR code on the back that links to a Change.org petition. Signing that petition is one way the public can collectively call on the U.S. government to prioritize Griner's "swift and safe return," and the website also encourages people to contact the White House and other lawmakers with the same message.

The WNBPA has played a key role in coordinating those efforts, as it so often has when it comes to activism in the league.

"The union was there to step right in and be a major facilitator for us to use our platform, use our voice, do as much as we can," Stewart said. "We are all in this fight together to bring her home, and I think that when you have those strength in numbers it makes a bigger splash. We are getting people's attention, and we need to continue to ask President Biden and the White House to bring her home."

Los Angeles Sparks forward Nneka Ogwumike, who serves as president for the WNBPA, touched on another key point of the "We Are BG" movement at a press conference alongside civil rights activist Rev. Al Sharpton, Cherelle Griner and others last Friday in Chicago as part of All-Star weekend.

"She looks like us. She is us," Ogwumike said. "Our 144 have always stood together as sisters. It's part of our DNA as team-sport athletes and as women who have often been undervalued and who must move together to be seen.

"But what America needs to understand is that she is you too. She is the fun aunt. She's the wife who encourages her spouse to thrive. She's a daughter who celebrates her dad's service on the Fourth. She's the kid who was bullied and a role model who stands up for those kids now. She's kind and she is all of ours. ... We're so lucky to know her. If you don't know her, you need to."

At that press conference, Cherelle Griner addressed a letter her wife sent to Biden on July 4, in which she expressed fear she might be stuck in Russia forever. Cherelle, who had previously expressed frustration with the administration's lack of urgency to get Griner home, said Biden wrote back to tell BG she wasn't forgotten.

"I understand that what they're doing is very challenging due to the circumstances with Russia and the United States right now," she said. "And so I want to make it very clear that our next move as supporters for BG is to make sure that the administration understands that they have our full support in doing any and everything necessary to be able to bring BG home as well as every other wrongfully detained American."

Griner's absence loomed over the rest of All-Star weekend in Chicago. Players brought attention to the situation throughout the festivities, including the statement of solidarity through the uniform swap.

"It's also a way to have other people see her name," Sue Bird said postgame. "Maybe someone turned on the TV and doesn't know about the story and is like, 'Oh why are they all wearing the same jersey number?' And in those moments it brings awareness and it constantly reminds the Biden Administration that we are supporting them and whatever they need to do to get Brittney home, we're behind them."

What lies ahead for Griner in Russian court

Griner pleaded guilty in Russian court on July 7. She acknowledged possessing the cartridges — which contained .702 grams of hashish oil and traces of cannabis oil — but said she had no intent to break the law and they were only in her luggage because she packed hastily, according to Reuters.

"There was no intent. I didn't want to break the law," Reuters quoted Griner saying through her interpreter.

The plea, which doesn't automatically end a trial in Russia's judicial system, was an expected move due to the nature of the authoritarian country's legal system, according to ESPN's T.J. Quinn. The guilty plea was also a necessary strategy to help facilitate any sort of potential prisoner exchange. Russia authorities have signaled interest in the release of an arms dealer named Viktor Bout, nicknamed "the Merchant of Death," who is serving a 25-year sentence in the U.S. for supporting terrorism.

On Thursday, the general manager and a player on UMMC Ekaterinburg testified to Griner's positive character, according to Reuters. On Friday, Griner's lawyer gave the court a U.S. doctor's letter recommending she use medical cannabis to treat pain, according to the Associated Press. Medical cannabis isn't legal in Russia. That same day, the defense also submitted tests Griner underwent as part of an anti-doping check, which didn't detect any prohibited substances in her system.

The next hearing is scheduled for July 26. Her detention has been authorized through Dec. 20, but her lawyers have said they expect the trial to conclude sometime in early August. WNBA players are determined to keep advocating for their teammate, friend and sister, though clearly much remains out of their control.

"You're doing what you can, but it's now at that political level where the only thing you can do is just keep advocating for her and hoping that they do make a change, that they do see the concerns and the reasons why BG should be back home," Jones said. "But ultimately there really isn't anything that we can do except for continuing to use our voices. So it's very frustrating, it's very disheartening."

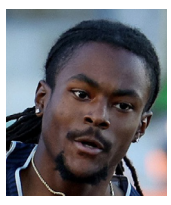
NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Kershaw flirts with perfection

Clayton Kershaw took a perfect game through the seventh and finished with eight scoreless innings of one-hit ball in the Dodgers' 9-1 victory over the Angels on Friday night in Anaheim, Calif. After retiring the Angels' first 21 batters in order, Kershaw (7-2) fell six outs short of his first perfect game and the second in Dodgers franchise history when Luis Rengifo lined a clean double to left leading off the eighth. But the Dodgers' beloved left-hander finished the eighth inning strong and got the last of several standing ovations from a sell-out crowd of 44,648 at Angel Stadium, which contained a huge contingent of blue-clad fans roaring for Kershaw's every out. The 34-year-old Kershaw was selected to his ninth All-Star team earlier this month, and he is a strong sentimental candidate to start the Midsummer Classic at Dodger Stadium. The three-time Cy Young Award winner struck out six and threw just 89 pitches in his eight innings. Kershaw threw the only no-hitter of his career back in 2014 against the Rockies. Sandy Koufax threw the only perfect game in Dodgers history on Sept. 9, 1965.

Ross out of world championships



Back-to-back NCAA champion Randolph Ross was booted from the world track and field championships in Eugene, Ore., on the eve of his 400 meter preliminary race, about a month after officials could not locate him to take an antidoping test. The Athletics Integrity Unit announced Saturday it was provisionally suspending the North Carolina A&T sprinter for tampering with the antidoping process after an unsuccessful testing attempt on June 18. The investigation concluded, the AIU said, after officials interviewed him Thursday. Also ousted from the meet was Kenyan marathoner Lawrence Cherono, who tested positive for a banned substance used to treat chest pain resulting from lack of blood supply and oxygen to the heart. Both athletes had been scheduled to compete Sunday. The AIU said there were delays in the processing of Cherono's test sample, which was taken May 23, that made it impossible for another Kenyan to take his spot. Ross won his second straight title in the 400 meters at NCAA championships earlier this year.

IndyCar's Ericsson quietly consistent

Sweden's Marcus Ericsson sits quietly atop the IndyCar points standings without much fanfare. His lone win this season came at the series biggest race, the Indianapolis 500. And with this weekend's chatter focusing primarily on the future plans of defending series champ Alex Palou, Ericsson's teammate, and the banter between Andretti Autosport teammates Alexander Rossi and Romain Grosjean, Ericsson has again faded into the background. Except a strong second practice session has helped Ericsson emerge as one of the favorites on the streets of Toronto. Marcus Ericsson enters Sunday's race in Toronto atop the IndyCar standings and minus the traditional midseason fanfare. His quiet demeanor, consistent results and even the title of reigning Indianapolis 500 champion have done little to change his public persona. "We all had strong cars (Friday), we did some work last night to try and find a bit more of the feeling I want from the car," he said after posting the second-fastest lap in practice Saturday. "We're in good shape. We're in the mix. It's going to be tight as always." *AP*

Team Wilson head coach Becky Hammon talks to players during the first half of a WNBA All-Star basketball game against the

PRO BASKETBALL

Thriving as WNBA coach

Aces' Hammon was Spurs' assistant under Popovich for 8 seasons in NBA

By Doug Feinberg
Associated Press

NEW YORK — When Becky Hammon knew it was time to leave the NBA last winter after being an assistant coach for the San Antonio Spurs for eight seasons, she was faced with a tough choice.

She had to choose between the two WNBA franchises she once played for, and both lobbied hard to make her their head coach.

"It was either going to be Vegas or New York," the Aces coach said recently after a practice in New York. "I felt it was time for me to leave and to grow and have a different challenge. It was one or the other. By mid-December, I was like for sure I'm getting off this NBA path right now."

She had been a candidate for a few NBA head coaching jobs over the last few years, but never got them. She also had received some college offers in the past, as well as other assistant jobs in the NBA, but turned them down.

"This is way more advantageous and more beneficial for me than go be an assistant coach in Sacramento or Oklahoma City or some other (NBA) team," Hammon said.

The former Liberty guard acknowledged it was tough to say no to New York owners Joe and Clara Wu Tsai, saying she was really close to taking the job in the Big Apple.

Still, the 45-year-old Hammon has no regrets with her choice and becoming the first WNBA coach to command a million dollar annual salary.

"It's been one of the best decisions of my life. I absolutely love it," said Hammon, who was one of the All-Star coaches in Chicago last weekend.

Las Vegas got off to a great start, winning 13 of its first 15 games before hitting a skid ahead of the All-Star break, with five losses in seven games. The Aces swept New York in the two games after the break.

"No one said it was going to be easy. If being great was easy, everyone would be doing it," Hammon said. "You have to hit some adversity. There should be some hiccups. We came out like a rocket and then hit some rough patches.

"The adversity will be beneficial to us more than the win-loss record down the road."

Whether things were going well or when the team was struggling, Hammon said she talked with Spurs coach Gregg Popovich a few times a week, either via text or on the phone.

"The other day, I talked to him for an hour. He watches all our games," she said. "He tells me what he sees and what he thinks. That line of communication is very open."

So is the communication with her team.

Point guard Chelsea Gray said one of the biggest aspects Hammon has brought to the team is accountability — which is certainly a Popovich trait.

"She is holding everyone accountable top to bottom," Gray said. "It didn't take her any time to do that and be completely honest with us."

Hammon's coaching style has helped guard Kelsey Plum, who is having the best season of her WNBA career while averaging 20 points and 5.5 assists. The two connected last year when Hammon was in Las Vegas for a few days. They worked out and the 5-foot-6 Hammon gave the 5-8 Plum some tips on finishing in the lane.

"I had no idea that she'd be coaching me this year," Plum said. "She's been where we are, which helps."

Plum also noticed some teams are already starting to incorporate some of Hammon's coaching ideas. Las Vegas was one of the first teams to start playing a zone defense, and New York tried it Tuesday night against the Aces.

"I think people are starting to steal some of her stuff," Plum said. "People are taking some of our sets on offense, too. It's great to see her making such an impact already."

Hammon at a glance

Hammon's record as head coach of the Aces (WNBA) and as an assistant with the Spurs (NBA) under Gregg Popovich.

Year	Team	Rec	Place
2022	Las Vegas	17-7	1st WC
2021-22	San Antonio	34-48	4th SW
2020-21	San Antonio	33-39	3rd SW
2019-20	San Antonio	32-29	4th SW
2018-19	San Antonio*	48-34	2nd SW
2017-18	San Antonio*	47-35	3rd SW
2016-17	San Antonio*	61-21	1st SW
2015-16	San Antonio*	67-15	1st SW
2014-15	San Antonio*	55-27	3rd SW

WC—Western Conference;
SW—Southwest Division;
**—qualified for playoffs*

BRITISH OPEN NOTES

Bad luck costs Scheffler chance to gain ground

By Chris Lehourites | Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — One unlucky roll on the back nine cost Scottie Scheffler a couple of strokes and plenty of momentum.

The Masters champion started the day five strokes behind Cameron Smith at the British Open. He finished it five strokes behind Rory McIlroy and Viktor Hovland.

"You can get rolling around here in a hurry," said Scheffler, who shot 3-under 69 in the third round Saturday. "I was rolling it pretty good today and I could have taken it really low. The putts weren't going in."

The top-ranked Scheffler won his first major at Augusta National in April and he finished in a tie for second last month at the U.S. Open. His score Saturday on the fast and firm Old Course marks the 17th time in the last 20 major championship rounds he has been inside the top 10 on the leaderboard.

The 26-year-old American shot back-to-back 68s on Thursday and Friday before his 69 put him in a tie for fifth at 11-under 205.

But it was that one unfavorable roll that stuck in his mind.

"I got a really bad break there on 12, which probably cost me two shots," Scheffler said. "Instead of the ball running out in the green, it ends up in the lip of a pot bunker. That's what happens on this golf course. At the end of the day, you hate seeing that happen to yourself."

Scheffler ended up with a bogey on that hole, after two straight birdies on the 10th and 11th. He had another bogey on the 17th before finishing with a birdie on 18.

There's one more round to go, and the conditions on the Old Course change with the weather. And the weather in Scotland can change fast.

"I think you just got to get used to the golf course and the firmness. And I think links golf kind of suits me where you're hitting all different kinds of shots and creating and seeing, versus playing numbers. So for me, I don't have to change too much," Scheffler said. "Just got to get used to the conditions."

Ice bath: Instead of a relaxing hot bath, Jordan Spieth is looking forward to a rejuvenating ice bath.

The 2017 British Open champion has played eight of the last 10 weeks and was eight shots behind going into the final round.

To get ready for Sunday's final round on the Old Course, Spieth has a plan.

"I'll probably do an ice bath tonight, which ice baths are a lot harder in Scotland than they are in Memphis," Spieth said, referring to the next tournament he will play after the Open. "I like to do cold therapy whenever I can. I think it's the most beneficial thing I've found."

Spieth said the ice helps his legs feel fresher the next day, and helps him sleep better, too.

As many traveling Americans know, however, getting ice in a soft drink on this side of the Atlantic isn't always easy. Spieth has found a way.

"Ice is hard to get into a Coca-Cola over here, so I'm very lucky that they (the hotel) have access to a big ice machine, and they bring bags of ice," Spieth said, adding Justin Thomas is doing the same thing. "We've gotten lucky that they've hooked us up there, yeah.

"Thank you. This is an unusual interview."

Putting lows: Shane Lowry's back-to-back eagles both came from chip shots. It was his putting that let him down.

Lowry, who won the 2019 British Open at Portrush, first chipped in on the ninth hole for an eagle 2.

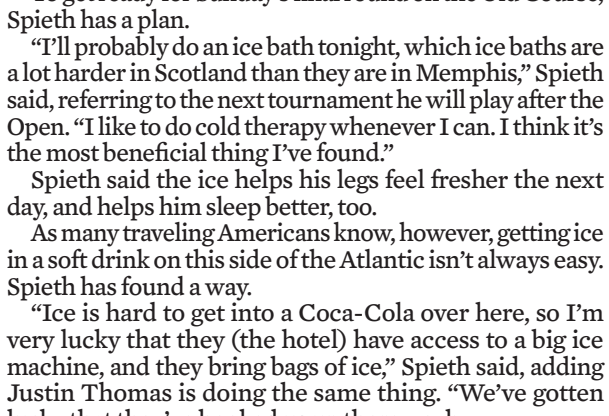
"I hit a poor tee shot on 9 and got a pretty good break and just hit a lovely pitch," the Irishman said. "It was a nice lie in the rough and I could be fairly aggressive. I knew it was going to spin and hit a lovely shot."

On the next hole, another par 4, Lowry put his drive in the fairway but said the pin was in a tricky place on the green.

"I was just trying to get as close as I could, and it just came out perfect and went in," Lowry said. "But the rest of the day wasn't so enjoyable. Look, I feel like I played OK ... wouldn't take Einstein to figure out what went wrong on the back nine. My putting was horrific."

The eagle-eagle got Lowry to 9 under, but he bogeyed three of the next seven holes and finished with a 69 after a birdie on 18. That left him at 7 under for the tournament, nine strokes behind the leaders.

"I shoot 1 under for the last seven holes and I'm very bullish about my chances going into tomorrow," Lowry said. "Now I have no chance. It's just very disappointing."



Scottie Scheffler reacts after a missed putt on the 17th green during third-round action. **HARRY HOW/GETTY**

WEATHER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET
Partly sunny and warm, chance for a late day shower or a thunderstorm. Moderately humid.	Mostly cloudy and humid, chance for a few showers and thunderstorms.	Chance for a morning shower, partly sunny, hot and humid.	Hazy sunshine, hot and humid.	Hazy sunshine, hot and humid, a late day shower or a thunderstorm is possible.
HIGH 86° LOW 69°	HIGH 84° LOW 70°	HIGH 91° LOW 72°	HIGH 96° LOW 72°	HIGH 93° LOW 71°

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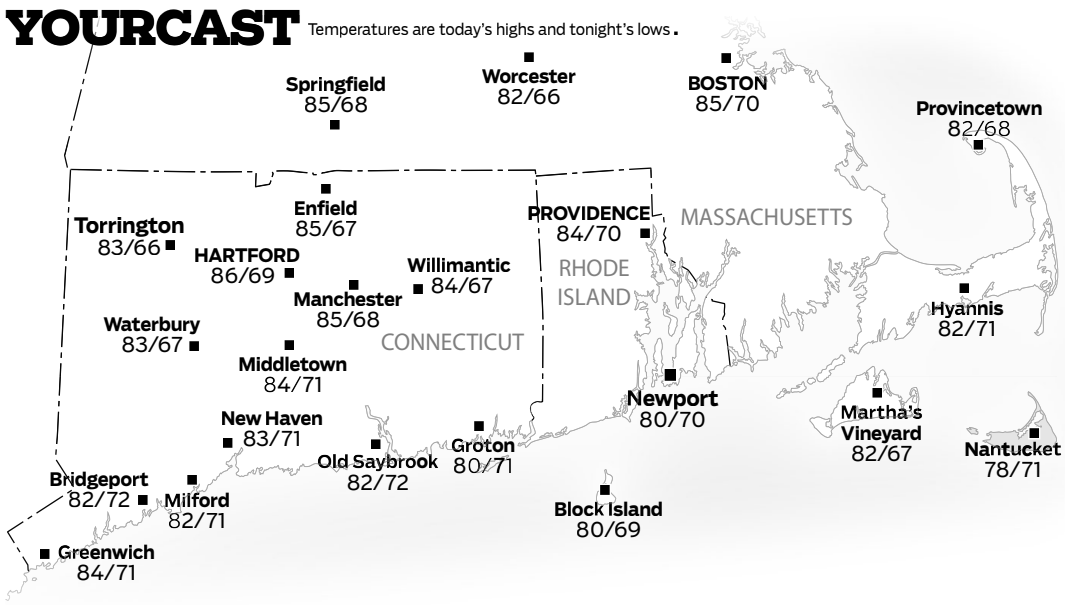

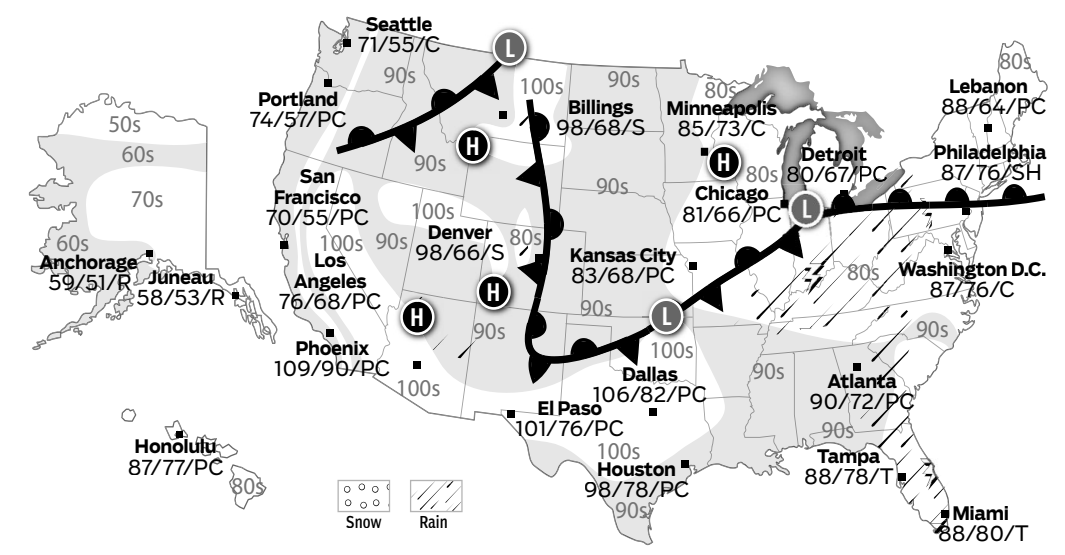

OUTLOOK

High pressure will bring partly sunny skies with high temperatures in the 80s on Sunday. It will be a moderately humid day with dew points in the 60s. A warm front to the south could cause an afternoon or evening shower or thunderstorm. The warm front will be closer to the area Monday and Monday night, so there is a better chance for showers and thunderstorms, they should also be more widespread. It will be more humid with dew points in at least parts of the state reaching the lower 70s. Hazy sunshine, hot and humid conditions from Tuesday into next weekend.

-Gary Lessor

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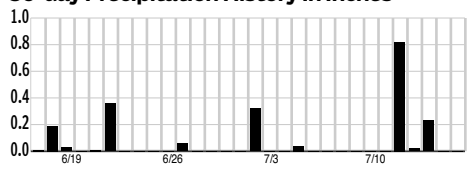
Precipitation In Inches	Total	Normal
Yesterday (by 5 p.m.)	0.00	0.13
Month to date	1.43	2.01
Total this year	21.60	24.18

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

30-day Precipitation History In Inches



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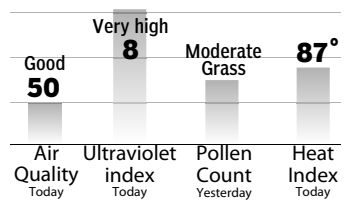


Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	12:34 a.m. 1:12 p.m.	7:15 a.m. 7:40 p.m.	73°
Saybrook Jetty	2:45 a.m. 2:23 p.m.	8:08 a.m. 8:33 p.m.	74°
Connecticut River at Portland	4:28 a.m. 5:06 p.m.	11:54 a.m. p.m.	
Madison	2:07 a.m. 2:42 p.m.	8:24 a.m. 8:51 p.m.	74°
New Haven	2:27 a.m. 3:02 p.m.	8:48 a.m. 9:15 p.m.	75°
Stamford	2:31 a.m. 3:06 p.m.	9:02 a.m. 9:29 p.m.	74°

River Stage at Hartford: 2.47 feet at 4:30 p.m.

Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B. I. Sound
Weather	PCloudy	PCloudy	PCloudy
Wind	SW/S, 5	W/S, 5	SW, 5-10
Seas	1 ft.	1 ft.	1-3 ft.

	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	5:31 a.m.	5:31 a.m.
Sunset	8:23 p.m.	8:23 p.m.
Moonrise	11:19 p.m.	11:42 p.m.
Moonset	9:59 a.m.	11:10 a.m.

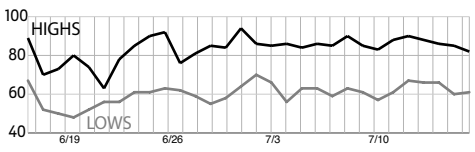
Moon Phase

Last	New	First	Full
July 20	July 28	Aug 5	Aug 11

Temperature	High	Low
Saturday	82 at 3:48 p.m	61 at 4:15 a.m
Normal for date	86	64
Record for date	96 in 1983	50 in 1946
A year ago	93	73
Range this year	94	-2

Cooling Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For Jan 1 - July 16	391	344	402

30-day Temperature History



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	30.16 at 1 a.m.	30.05 at 5 p.m.
Dew point	65° at 2 p.m.	59° at 12 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND				NATION				Baltimore	89	73	PC	Nashville	89	74	PC	San Juan	90	78	PC	Budapest	81	60	S	Kingston	91	76	PC	Stockholm	71	54	PC
Bangor	85	63	PC	Albany	87	70	PC	Bismarck	100	62	S	New Orleans	92	77	PC	Tucson	104	81	S	Buenos Aires	59	45	S	Lisbon	83	64	S	Sydney	59	45	S
Burlington	88	68	PC	Albuquerque	98	72	PC	Boise	97	67	S	New York	82	73	PC	WORLD				Cairo	102	72	S	London	89	68	PC	Tel Aviv	87	75	S
Caribou	82	61	PC	Atlantic City	85	73	PC	Buffalo	84	70	PC	Okla. City	102	74	PC	Amsterdam	80	61	PC	Cancun	90	79	PC	Madrid	103	75	S	Tokyo	88	76	C
Concord	89	64	PC					Charleston	88	74	PC	Omaha	89	69	PC	Athens	97	78	S	Dubai	104	87	PC	Mexico City	71	53	SH	Toronto	79	68	PC
Montpelier	84	59	PC					Cincinnati	78	68	T	Orlando	89	75	T	Bangkok	91	77	SH	Dublin	80	60	PC	Milan	95	76	S	Vancouver	69	57	PC
Mt. Wash.	59	50	PC					Cleveland	80	68	SH	Pittsburgh	83	69	SH	Barbados	84	76	SH	Edinburgh	77	59	C	Montreal	85	68	S	Warsaw	72	55	SH
Portland	83	62	PC					Indianapolis	79	66	SH	Raleigh	87	71	PC	Beijing	97	75	PC	Helsinki	63	53	SH	Moscow	71	57	SH				
Woods Hole	81	68	PC					Jacksonville	87	73	T	St. Louis	81	68	SH	Beirut	83	77	S	Hong Kong	86	78	SH	Nassau	87	82	SH				
								Las Vegas	109	88	PC	Salt Lake City	104	76	PC	Berlin	75	57	PC	Istanbul	88	70	S	New Delhi	98	85	SH				
								Miami Beach	88	83	T	San Antonio	101	77	S	Bermuda	83	77	PC	Jerusalem	83	65	S	Paris	92	68	S				
								Milwaukee	80	66	PC	San Diego	75	69	C					Johannesburg	65	39	S	Prague	76	52	PC				
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																								Seoul	87	73	PC				
																								Singapore	91	80	PC				

KEY: **S** Sunny, **C** Cloudy, **PC** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **SH** Showers, **SN** Snow, **SF** Snow Flurries, **T** T-storms

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McIlroy

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of the left rough and over the 17th green, across the road and near the stone wall. He played a safe pitch onto the green and two-putted for bogey.

Hovland, bogey-free for the round, showed off some magic of his own on the 17th by putting off the dirt path just short of the road, up the hill to about 5 feet for a par.

At age 24, Hovland already has six wins around the world after a stellar amateur career at Oklahoma State, including a U.S. Amateur title at Pebble Beach.

This is his first big moment in a major, and he sounded up to the task. Hovland also saw — and heard — what the will be up against Sunday.

"I get a couple in there," he said of the cheers so heavily slanted toward McIlroy. "I'm probably an underdog, but I don't mind that at all. Hopefully, we can push ourselves tomorrow."

Smith missed a short birdie chance on the 18th and had a 73. His biggest mistake was not getting the ball back in play on the 13th, instead trying to advance the ball and getting into tough spots. He also three-putted from 30 feet to start his round and made just two birdies.

Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy tees off on the 17th hole during Saturday's third round of British Open at St Andrews Old Course. **KEVIN C. COX/GETTY**

Young, the PGA Tour rookie who finished one shot out of a playoff at the PGA Championship two months ago, had a 71.

Masters champion Scottie Scheffler was lurking after a 69. He missed a 10-foot birdie chance on the 16th and then three-putted the 17th for a bogey. Scheffler, who finished one shot behind in the U.S. Open, had a 69 and was five back along with Si Woo Kim (67).

Johnson also within three shots until a bogey on the 13th and another on the par-5 14th, where his long eagle putt raced up a hill, across the green and into a pot bunker. Instead of birdie, he had to scramble for bogey. He dropped two more shots coming in for a 71 and was six behind.

McIlroy last won a major in 2014 at the PGA Championship at Valhalla. He would love nothing more than to win at the home of golf, on the Old Course where Jack Nicklaus once said a player's career would not be complete without winning a claret jug at St. Andrews.

"Every part of my game has felt good this week," McIlroy said. "I just need to keep it going for one more day."

LOCAL SCOREBOARD

LOCAL AMATEUR BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEGION
Saturday's results
CT Legion **Tournament**—First Round Northern Bracket
Pod A
WEST HARTFORD 4, WINDSOR LOCKS/WINDSOR 3
ELLINGTON 5, NORWICH 3
Pod B
Torrington 6, Danielson 5
MIDDLETOWN 1, TRI-TOWN 0
Pod C
WATERFORD 8, ENFIELD 0
BRISTOL 6, TRI-COUNTY 0
Pod D
WILLIMANTIC 6, NORTHEAST 5
RCP POST 9, SIMSBURY 0
Southern Bracket
Pod E
FAIRFIELD 2, HAMDEN 1
GREENWICH 13, MILFORD 0
Pod F
STAMFORD 5, GLASTONBURY 4
WESTPORT 10, MADISON 5
Pod G
WEST HAVEN 4, MOOSUP 1
TRUMBULL 7, BRANFORD 4
Pod D
EHM 3, DANBURY 2
RIDGEFIELD 11, NORTH HAVEN 7
Sunday's schedule
CT Legion **Tournament**—First Round Northern Bracket
Pod **A:** Ellington at West Hartford, 1 p.m.; Windsor Locks/Windsor at Norwich, 2p.m.
Pod **B:** Torrington at Middletown, 1 p.m.; Tri-Town at Danielson, 1p.m.
Pod **C:** Bristol at Waterford, 1p.m.; Enfield at Northeast, 1p.m.
Pod **D:** RCP Post at Willimantic, 1p.m.; Simsbury at Tri-County, 1p.m.
Southern Bracket
Pod **E:** Fairfield at Greenwich, 10a.m.; Milford at Hamden, noon
Pod **F:** Westport at Stamford, 11a.m.; Glastonbury at Madison, 1p.m.
Pod **G:** Moosup at Branford, noon; Trumbull at West Haven, 1p.m.
Pod **H:** EHM at Ridgefield, 1p.m.; Danbury at North Haven, 1p.m.
CONNECTICUT TWILIGHT LEAGUE
Monday's schedule
Rock Cats at Dodgers, 6p.m.
Orioles at Patriots, 6p.m.
Black Sox at Angels, 6:30p.m.
GREATER HARTFORD TWILIGHT LEAGUE
Friday's late results
COLTS 7, GRAPHICS 3
ORIOLES 3, JETS 1
Sunday's schedule
Jets at Cardinals, 5p.m.
Colts at Graphics, 5p.m.
People's at Phillies, 5p.m.
PETE KOKINIS BASEBALL LEAGUE
Friday's late results
19u
COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON 7, FARMINGTON 0
16u
COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON 5, WEST HARTFORD THUNDER 4
14u
FARMINGTON 9, CT BULLDOGS-WETHERSFIELD 5
Saturday's results
19u
AHERN WHALEN-MIDDLETOWN 6-5, FARMINGTON 0-3
SOUTHINGTON HITMEN 5, PLAINVILLE DEVILS 0
16u
WEST HARTFORD THUNDER 5, NOR'EASTERS-NEWINGTON 4 (8)
Note: Jacob Walters had a walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the 8th. John Gedicks picked up the win in relief.
COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON AT AHERN WHALEN-MIDDLETOWN, LATE
14u
CT BULLDOGS-WETHERSFIELD AT AHERN WHALEN-MIDDLETOWN, LATE
Sunday's schedule
19u: Copperheads-Torrington at Southington hitmen, 2p.m.

WNBA STANDINGS

Eastern	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago	18	6	.750	—
Connecticut	16	8	.667	2
Washington	15	11	.577	4
Atlanta	10	14	.417	8
New York	9	15	.375	9
Indiana	5	21	.192	14
Western	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**
Las Vegas	17	7	.708	—
Seattle	16	8	.667	1
Dallas	11	13	.458	6
Phoenix	11	15	.423	7
Los Angeles	10	14	.417	7
Minnesota	10	16	.385	8

Friday's late results
CONNECTICUT 93, ATLANTA 68
MINNESOTA 87, INDIANA 77
Saturday's result
CHICAGO AT DALLAS, LATE
Sunday's schedule
Las Vegas at Connecticut, 1p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 3p.m.
Atlanta at Washington, 6p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 6p.m.
SUNDAY'S LATE CT SUN BOX SCORE
SUN 93, DREAM 68

Connecticut	M	FG	FT	RB	A	PF	PT
Bonner	21	3-3	0-0	4	1	0	8
A. Thomas	21	4-9	3-4	6	5	1	11
Jo. Jones	22	5-9	9-10	6	2	3	21
Williams	23	3-8	2-2	4	4	1	8
Hiedeman	23	4-10	3-4	2	3	3	13
B. Jones	20	3-6	4-6	6	1	2	10
Carrington	23	2-6	3-4	4	2	3	8
Holmes	16	3-6	0-0	5	1	2	6
Ja. Jones	13	2-6	0-0	0	0	2	4
Clouden	17	1-4	1-2	2	1	0	4
TOTALS		30-67	25-32	39	20	17	93

Three-point **goals:** 8-21, 38.1(Bonner 2-2, Jo. Jones 2-3, Hiedeman 2-5, Carrington 1-3, Clouden 1-3, Williams 0-1, Holmes 0-2, Ja. Jones 0-2). FG pct.: 44.8. FT pct.: 78.1. **Turnovers:** 12(Jo. Jones 3, B. Jones 2, Holmes 2, Bonner, A. Thomas, Williams, Carrington, Ja. Jones). **Blocks:** 1(Carrington). **Steals:** 13(Williams 3, Bonner 2, Jo. Jones 2, Hiedeman 2, Holmes 2, A. Thomas, Carrington).

Atlanta	M	FG	FT	RB	A	PF	PT
Hayes	26	7-11	3-4	6	1	3	18
Billings	5	1-1	0-0	1	0	0	2
Parker	14	1-3	1-2	1	0	3	3
Durr	25	4-12	4-4	3	3	1	12
Wheeler	23	1-8	1-2	0	6	3	3
Wallace	20	1-1	3-4	4	2	1	6
Vaughn	11	1-2	0-0	1	1	4	2
Hillmon	30	6-10	1-1	11	0	2	13
Mompremier	20	2-5	1-2	5	1	2	5
McDonald	25	2-9	0-0	2	4	1	4
TOTALS		26-62	14-19	30	20	21	68

Three-point **goals:** 2-13, 15.4(Wallace 1-1, Hayes 1-3, Durr 0-3, Wheeler 0-3, McDonald 0-3). FG pct.: 41.9. FT pct.: 73.7. **Turnovers:** 18(Hayes 6, Hillmon 4, Wheeler 3, Parker 2, Wallace 2, McDonald). **Blocks:** 2(Mompremier 2). **Steals:** 5(Parker 2, Wallace, Hillmon, McDonald).
Connecticut; 28; 23; 26; 16; —; 93
Atlanta; 15; 18; 19; 16; —; 68
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Hopwood DePree hopes to turn Hopwood Hall Estate, shown here in the 1950s, in Middleton, England, into an arts hub for the local community and a tourist destination. **DE LA SALLE TRUST**

'Downton Shabby'

An American commoner takes on 50,000-square-foot English castle, once an ancestral home

By Joanne Kaufman
The New York Times

People who search genealogy websites often find birth and marriage records, newspaper clippings, faded photographs or maybe a long-lost relative.

Hopwood DePree found a 60-room English manor.

As a child growing up in Holland, Michigan, in the 1970s, DePree was transfixed when his beloved maternal grandfather, Pap, a history buff, told him about a huge slice of rolling land across the ocean where his forebears had a grand house called Hopwood Castle.

A castle in Britain owned by his family? Named for his family? No way.

Fast forward 3 ½ decades. DePree, by then an actor and producer in Los Angeles, was at his computer early one night in the spring of 2013, trawling an ancestry website.

The past had become a favorite destination for him after Pap's death in 2008 and, two years later, the sudden death of his father, Thomas, from a massive heart attack. DePree was left uncertain about the way forward. Tracing his roots was a comfort.

That fateful evening, he saw a link to a story about a Lord Hopwood of Hopwood Hall and an old black-and-white photo of a stately home in Middleton, England, just outside Manchester. Increasingly curious, DePree made some email inquiries and booked a flight to see firsthand the family seat.

A 50,000-square-foot, brick-and-stone manor built in a quadrangle around a timber-framed hall, Hopwood Hall had seen better centuries. The roof leaked prodigiously, dry rot was ascendant, moisture seeped from the walls, plaster was falling from the ceilings, windows were missing panes, floors were missing boards, many sections of the house had been vandalized. Trees were growing out of the chimneys.

And yet ... there were doors dotted with rivets from the medieval period — some sections of the house date to 1426 — and doors with their original hand-forged hardware. The wood-paneled walls in one of the parlors were decorated with intricate carvings from baseboard to ceiling. The fireplace in a room known as the reception hall was embellished with an iteration of the Hopwood family coat of arms; the family's heraldic animal, a stag; and the Hopwood family motto, "By Degrees."

The nearly-finished banquet hall at Hopwood Hall Estate in Middleton, England. **HOPWOOD HALL ESTATE**

"When I walked in, I felt something in me change almost immediately. I knew this place was special," DePree, 52, said. "But I was told during that first visit that if nothing was done, within five or 10 years, Hopwood Hall would crumble."

He chronicles his efforts to save the hall in "Downton Shabby: One American's Ultimate DIY Adventure Restoring His Family's English Castle," a memoir published late last month.

Hopwoods lived in the house until the early 1920s, according to the book. But after the two heirs were killed during World War I, their grieving elderly parents closed up the property and moved to London. A cotton company used the hall during World War II, and in 1946 an order of monks moved in for a few decades. By the late 1980s, the property had become the responsibility of the local authority, which had neither the will nor the wherewithal to maintain it. Then came DePree.

The "DIY" in the book's title is, perhaps, more than a bit misleading: DePree isn't the guy reglazing the windows, plastering the walls, stabilizing the foundation or replacing floorboards. Hopwood Hall's longtime caretaker, Bob Wall, has joked that the acronym really stands for "Dim Inexperienced Yank."

But credit where credit is due: The Yank has come a long way from the humiliating moment when he stood in a parking lot of a Home Depot in Los Angeles, almost in tears because he couldn't figure out how to work the stick-on tiles he had bought for his bathroom floor.

"I've learned how to mix mortar and make plaster molds. I've learned to do pointing on bricks," said DePree, who sold his house in Los Angeles five years ago and moved full time to Middleton to immerse himself in the preservation efforts. "But I wouldn't say at all that I'm a skilled craftsman by any stretch of the imagination."

Still, he has done plenty of heavy lifting since 2017, when he signed a contract with the Rochdale Borough Council, the local authority, to assume responsibility for Hopwood Hall. (The Council had first verified his familial bona fides.) The deal gave DePree five years to come up with a practicable and fully detailed plan to save his ancestral home and create a sustainable model to keep the lights on.

"Hopwood was just feeling his way when I first met him, but he's become more confident," said Geoff Wellens, a local historian. "I truly believe that if anyone can get the job done, it's him. It's his family's old home. He has that family tie."

Bit by bit, DePree has become the public face of the effort, its cheerleader in chief and dedicated fundraiser. Recent grants from Historic England, a government agency, and the Rochdale Borough Council total more than $1 million.

Soon after his move to Britain, DePree started a YouTube channel, posting videos for friends and supporters to chart the progress of the restoration. He also wrote a one-man show about his travails and triumphs, and toured it at comedy festivals around the country.

The price tag for the home improvement is $13 million, with annual operating costs estimated at $800,000, DePree said. Proceeds from his show have been contributed to the cause; a chunk of the royalties from his book will go toward it, too.

"Many country houses in the U.K. have had to find ways to reinvent themselves to keep up with the enormous costs of operating, staffing and maintenance, and Hopwood Hall is on a similar path," DePree said.

He hopes to turn the manor into an arts hub for the local community and a tourist destination. A wedding destination, too. Hopwood Hall will have around 25 bedrooms to accommodate the festivities.

His grandfather, he said, would be proud.

"He loved history and he loved his Hopwood identity," DePree said. "Maybe several hundred years from now, people will read about this project and there will be one or two lines about me."

Dreaming of lovely lake house abode? Try these whimsy decor essentials

By Katie Laughridge
Tribune News Service

A lake house should be many things: an oasis in which to relax, an escape that takes you to a place of retreat, and, in my opinion, have just a bit of camp or whimsy to it. What is a lake home for if not a bit of fun? I find myself drawn to the warm neutral colors and natural textures of "lake" style versus the always gorgeous but slightly different beach and nautical decor. Instead of stark white accents of the coast, lake living allows a bit more freedom and homey energy I can't get enough of.

We already know I love a throw pillow, so it will be no surprise that I find myself drawn to them for lake chic design as well. Some of my favorites are the bait and tackle needlepoint pillows we have this year. They are perfect for topping off a bedding set, in the living room, or even as an accent pillow on the hostess chairs at your dining table. They come in all sizes and have amazing texture.

Staying with the fishing theme, tabletop accessories are some of my favorite items with which to play. I find a lot of lakeside homes use natural wood throughout, and that pairs well with rustic table accents. Introducing aquatic creatures into your tablescape can be simple. Throw a trout-adorned enamel mug onto your breakfast nook or use a bass-stamped serving platter for a touch of whimsy. You can also forgo the flowers you would usually set around your space with other varieties of greens like cattails for a rustic and nature-forward touch.

As always, art and accessories can make a big impact in your space. Find an antique canoe and create a focal point in your garden, or use it as a plant stand in a four-season room for an interesting twist. Fill your space with lanterns and natural fibers for a cozy atmosphere that isn't overwhelmed. When it comes to art, local prints and wood frames are a wonderful way to go. Also, think outside the frame — fish plates, oars and perhaps even a large mounted fish can make for an interesting and exciting gallery wall addition.

Lake living and decor is all about comfort and not taking yourself too seriously, and those are things I can always get behind.

Lake themed pillows are a perfect accent in your home. **COURTESY**

REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Tax implications of joint tenants, right of survivorship

By Ilyce Glink and Samuel J. Tamkin
Tribune Content Agency

A tax preparer can provide specific advice when it comes to paying taxes on the sale of your home. **DREAMSTIME**

Q: In 2008, I paid off my parents' mortgage. In exchange, I was placed on the deed as joint tenants with right of survivorship, with the expectation that I was to be repaid when the house was sold. I never lived in the home.

Fourteen years later, my stepdad has passed away and my mom has just moved to a retirement home. We plan to sell the house for $175,000, repay the $60,000 that I spent, and use the remainder to care for my mother for the remainder of her life.

What are the tax implications for my mother and me? I never took advantage of any tax benefits of ownership and any bills for the home were paid by my mother and stepdad.

A: You were incredibly kind to step up and help your mom and stepdad when they needed it most. By paying off the mortgage, you freed up cash flow so that they could do more to enjoy their lives. And, undoubtedly, they slept better at night. A win-win situation.

In exchange, they put you on the deed as a joint tenant. As a joint owner, upon their deaths, you would automatically become the sole owner of the home. We assume this was to protect you in case they died: You'd get the home.

In essence, you bought one-third of the property for the $60,000 you contributed to paying down the mortgage. If your stepdad was still alive, you three would be selling the property for $175,000, or less than the amount you paid for your one-third share ($60,000 x 3 = $180,000). If life had played out that way, you wouldn't run into any tax issues. There would be no profit and no loss, and it sounds as though you didn't earn any interest on your money.

However, somewhere over the years, your stepdad passed away. When he died, you and your mother may have inherited his share of the property equally. Being joint tenants with rights of survivorship would likely make you equal owners of the property. So, when you sell the home, your share is half of the $175,000, or $87,500.

Up to this point, if you sell the home for $175,000 and you put in $60,000, you'd have "earned" $27,500 from the sale of the property. If, however, you inherited half of your stepdad's share of the property, you would have inherited your stepdad's share at its current market value on the day of his death. If we assume the property hasn't appreciated much from that point, then there hasn't been any increase in the value of your share, and you likely don't owe taxes once the home is sold.

Your mom, likewise, is in a good place. You didn't disclose how much she originally paid for the property, but even if she bought it for a rock bottom price 30 years ago, the home will sell for less than the $250,000 she is entitled to keep tax-free from the sale of her primary residence.

The Internal Revenue Service has a rule that states that a homeowner may keep up to $250,000 (up to $500,000 if you're married) in profits from the sale of a primary residence, as long as the owner has lived in the home for two of the past five years. The owner may exclude the cost of purchase, the cost of sale and the cost of any material or structural improvements made over the time they lived in the home. (You can read more in IRS Publication 523, Selling Your Home.)

For example, let's say your mom and stepdad bought the house for $150,000 and were selling it for $750,000, and you aren't in the picture. The profit on the property might seem to be $600,000, or more than the home sale exclusion. But if the commission was 6% on the sale, they would subtract $45,000 from the $600,000. And, if they spent another $55,000 over the years replacing the roof, water heater and adding on a new deck, they could have subtracted that as well. That would bring their net profit to $500,000, which they could keep tax-free.

So far, so good, but you still have to remember that in some states you may have to pay a state tax on the sale of the home. That's because some states don't follow the IRS exclusion rules for primary residences. In your situation, it seems that you will likely have no federal income taxes to pay. Given the sales price of the home, your mom shouldn't have any federal income taxes to pay as well.

As always, your tax preparer can provide specific advice based on your own tax situation. Good luck and good health to your mom.

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A properly organized garage will have space for commonly used tools. **DREAMSTIME**

HOME REMEDIES

How should I organize my garage this summer?

By Paul F. P. Pogue
Ask Angi

Your garage can be a valuable zone for a wide variety of tools and hobbies, but it won't do you much good if it's more like a black hole than an efficient storage space. This summer, make the most out of your garage by creating a storage plan, so you never have to rummage through a pile of stuff to find that misplaced hammer or bike pump.

"I recommend measuring and sketching out the space and then mapping out where you want to store different things," says Mallory Micetich, Angi home care expert. "For example, you can designate different areas of your garage to different categories, like tools, sports equipment or lawn care. Storing your items by category makes upkeep easier and can help you find things faster."

If you're organizing your garage independently, prioritize items by size. The biggest elements dictate the space you'll work around for everything else.

Appliances, parking for cars, and large tools such as a riding lawnmower should have a specific area set aside. The rest of your garage items should be arranged around them to allow easy access when needed.

"Pay attention to your natural habits to make the system easy to maintain," Micetich says. "Ask yourself questions like 'Where do I tend to leave things that I use a lot,' 'What am I always losing,' and 'What are things that I need access to consistently?'"

Once you've organized your garage, make a schedule to keep it that way. A few minutes per day or week can go a long way toward preventing chaos from overtaking your belongings.

And if you want to really upgrade your garage to the next level, a professional organizer or garage contractor can set you up for success.

"A pro can help you come up with an organization system that is perfect for your specific needs and your specific garage," Micetich says. "They'll set you up for success, so you can have an organized garage for years to come."

Price varies widely based on what you're looking for. Here's a rundown of what you can expect for your organizing and remodeling dollar.

- Basic DIY setup ($50-$200): This will get you the shelving, hooks and tool racks to bring your garage workshop under control.
- Simple pro shelving ($1,000-$1,500): A contractor will install a basic shelving and organizational system.
- Mid-range custom job ($3,000-$5,000): A more significant investment will get you epoxy-sealed floors, open shelving, cabinets, a work area and wall storage.
- Upscale custom work ($5,000 and up): If you're willing to spend the money, you can overhaul your garage into a customized organizational dream or even a living area conversion. If you want it to become a separate living area, such as its own apartment, expect to pay up to $30,000.

TREASURES

Martha Jenks Chase doll in good condition

By Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson
Tribune News Service

This Martha Jenks Chase doll was designed to spark a child's imagination. **COURTESY**

Q: I have enclosed photos of a doll that was my mother's as a child. She was born in 1918, so I think this doll would have been purchased in the early 1920s. It has a trademark on its hip that informs me this is a Chase doll. It is 14 inches tall and has clothes consisting of pantaloons, chemise, dress, socks, shoes and a crocheted sweater. I do not know how many of these items are original. Any information about this doll would be appreciated.
— S. P., Austin, Texas

A: This is indeed a Martha Jenks Chase doll, and we agree it was probably made in the 1920s. Chase was a doctor's wife living in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and a competent seamstress. She had some progressive ideas and felt the dolls available to children during the late 19th century were too fragile and too heavy. Chase also disliked the mechanical dolls of the time because she thought they diminished children's use of their innate imagination. She also disliked the popular "fashion" dolls because it was Chase's opinion that they imparted a materialistic point of view.

In 1889 (some sources say 1899) Chase started a doll-making "factory" in a building in her backyard that became known as the "Dolls' House." Chase's dolls were made from stockinette (a cotton knit material usually used to make undergarments). The material was stiffened with sizing and then hand painted with insoluble paint so the dolls could be washed when they got dirty.

The dolls were stuffed with soft cotton (instead of sawdust), and she reportedly had molds made from bisque doll heads that could be used to form her doll's heads. The resulting dolls could be purchased either dressed or undressed. They were soft, lightweight and perfect for doll play that would exercise a child's imagination.

Around 1905, Chase introduced character dolls meant to represent such characters as George and Martha Washington, Benjamin Franklin, various characters from Dickens and "Alice in Wonderland." Chase died in 1925, but her family continued making dolls into the 1970s.

S.P.'s doll is a typical Chase baby and is appropriately dressed. It appears to be in very good condition and should be valued at retail in the $250 to $350 range. Word of warning: Beware of Chase reproductions made in China.

Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson have written a number of books on antiques. Do you have an item you'd like to know more about? Contact them at Joe Rosson, 2504 Seymour Ave., Knoxville, TN 37917, or email them at treasures@knology.net. If you'd like your question to be considered for their column, include a high-resolution photo of the subject, which must be in focus, with your inquiry.

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK: 59 Garrett Road, Canton

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Property of the Week

Vacation-at-home Oasis for Sale in Canton

By Karen A. Avitabile

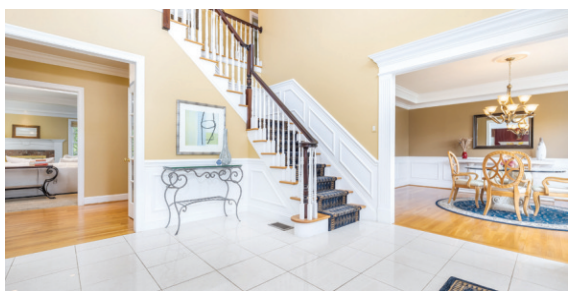
A 10-room colonial in Canton can be your own private oasis, indoors and outdoors. This stunning 6,392-square-foot, four-bedroom home also boasts a bonus room, a library and a finished lower level.

Built in 2005 and priced at $1.2 million, this custom-built David Stoner & Co. home in the Hoffman Farm neighborhood has been immaculately maintained. It is accented with high-end finishes including wainscoting, millwork, recessed lighting, tray and coffered ceilings, built-in shelving, solid oak flooring, ceramic tile, two fireplaces and a gourmet kitchen.

Located at 59 Garrett Road near the West Simsbury town line, this sprawling 2-plus acre property offers fantastic mountain views. The backyard retreat has a heated and saltwater in-ground pool with a hot tub and a waterfall.

"This is a vacation home," says Caitlyn Cleary of William Pitt | Sotheby's International Realty of Avon. "People are looking for that staycation. This is the perfect property for that."

The open space floor plan provides an easy flow from room to room and allows for seamless entertaining throughout the main level. The interior displays perfection the second you walk through the front door into the two-story foyer. A formal living room on the left and a dining room on the right frame the two-story foyer. The dining room is stylish with a tray ceiling, oversize trim, wainscoting and triple windows that allow lots of natural light to shine in. The cozy living room features a coffered ceiling and a gas fireplace encased by marble.



Set in the quiet corner of the home is a handsome library, study or office, the perfect space for working or conducting business. Glass doors, built-in shelving, storage, an elegant chandelier and two walls of windows enhance the room.

The spacious chef's eat-in kitchen, the heart of the home, overlooks the pool. It is adorned with warm cherry cabinets, spaces for displaying dishes and glassware, crown molding, granite counters, double wall ovens, a tile

backsplash, upscale appliances, a beverage cooler, a wet bar, a pantry and an exhaust hood. The island, accented in white cabinets with pullout drawers, offers additional storage and seating. Enjoy your morning coffee in the oversize breakfast nook and take in views of the outdoors.

The kitchen opens to the family room, highlighted by a wood-burning fireplace and a custom mantel. French doors lead to a terraced bluestone patio. A separate mudroom area with hooks on the wall gives you a spot to take off your coats and jackets. Two half bathrooms are also located on the main level.

The grand staircase to the second level has a landing and overlooks the first floor from the top. The 21-by-16 primary suite with a walk-in closet is plenty big to create a seating area. Relax in the all-tile spa bath with a jetted tub, a seamless shower and double sinks. The additional three bedrooms are generous in size; one offers its own en suite and two bedrooms share a full bathroom. Also on this level is a bonus room, which can be used as a fifth bedroom or turned into a playroom, an office, a media room or an exercise space. A laundry room with cabinets rounds out the upstairs.

With more than 1,000 square feet, the finished walkout lower level affords overflow entertaining space. In the kitchen is a wet bar, two beverage coolers, an icemaker, a microwave and a tile backsplash. There is also a custom-built counter with four taps built in. The roomy space includes a combination living-and-dining room area. Unique millwork shapes the ceiling. A separate room can be converted into a bedroom.

"It is fantastic space," Cleary says of the lower level.

Enjoy daybreak listening to the tranquil sounds of nature from your two-tier bluestone patio. You will love summer by the heated, saltwater Gunite pool with its own hot tub and luxurious waterfall. Or, light the propane Tiki torches around the pool and host evening get-togethers. The grounds also boast a large cabana with a ceiling fan.

"The home's owners love hosting parties and pool parties," Cleary says. "It is a fun, entertaining spot."

The secluded and heavily wooded backyard with hiking trails close by has been professionally landscaped. An underground sprinkler system allows for easy upkeep of the yard.

The home has hot air fueled by oil for heat and central air conditioning for cooling. It is serviced by a septic system and a private well. Other amenities include a generator, a central home audio system, thermopane windows, ridge vents and a Lutron lighting system with its own panel for programming, inside and outside. The heated three-car garage has a hot water tap and an acrylic floor inside. The asphalt shingle roof is new.

A long driveway from the road opens to the home, which is situated in the middle of the property. A bluestone front walkway extends from the driveway to the front door.

According to Cleary, this home offers many features that today's buyers are looking for - an office, an open-concept floor plan, several bedrooms, a finished space in the lower level, a pool and a private backyard.

Individual showings of the home are underway. For property details, drone views, a short video of the property and photos inside and outside during daytime and nighttime hours, visit http://dianebarryteam.com.

"The owners have enjoyed living in this house and in this neighborhood," Cleary adds.

Karen A. Avitabile is a freelance writer based in Plantsville.

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

59 Garrett Road, Canton

Built: 2005
Price: $1.2 million
Style: Colonial
Rooms: 10
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4 full, 2 half
Square footage: 6,392 (includes 1,050 square feet in finished lower level)
Acreage: 2.37
Mill rate: 33.22
Best feature: Private and spacious outdoor space for entertaining.
Contact: Diane Barry Team, (860) 614-1569, dbarry@wpsir.com, http://dianebarryteam.com; Caitlyn Cleary, (860) 798-1589, ccleary@wpsir.com

WEST HARTFORD

Spacious, sun-filled Contemporary Ranch! This 4-5 bedroom brick ranch is truly "a home for all seasons"! In winter, enjoy the 3 fireplaces and 2 large family rooms with room for pool and other activities; in spring, transition to the outdoors on the screened porch and start your garden on the .9ac lot; in summer, have morning coffee watching the sun-rise on the wrap-around deck, and entertain around the in-ground pool; in autumn, enjoy the fall color on the adjacent Canal Rd. walking trail. Just some of the features of this unique home are: a formal living room with an ornate FP mantel, built-in bookcases, and a wall of east-facing windows; a formal dining room with sliders to the deck, a welcoming foyer with tray ceiling, skylight and stunning still-life mural on canvas. The kitchen and family room are open-plan, with a cathedral ceiling, brick wall, fireplace, sliders to the yard and to the screened porch; the kitchen features granite counters and honey-colored cabinets, marble flooring, a Sub-Zero fridge, and a built-in grill. The primary bedroom suite has a dressing area and full bath. The walk-out lower level features a 2nd large family room with full kitchen, a fireplace, and a large space for a guest room, home office or exercise room. Completing the picture are an automatic generator, 2 furnaces and 2 A/C systems, central vac, first-floor laundry, and a popular cul-de-sac location. Welcome Home! MLS# 170466872 $699,900. 124 High Ridge Rd, West Hartford, CT. Rena Miller 860.305.5725 | rmiller@bhhsne.com.

HARTFORD

Rare opportunity to own a custom built home in Hartford's West End. This 11 year young 2 story home was designed by Jack Kemper for the owner who wanted to downsize yet didn't want to leave the neighborhood. It is a perfect condo alternative. It offers charm and character with Hardie siding and engineered hardwood floor throughout the main living area. The open floorplan is perfect for today's lifestyle. The living area has large windows, a gas fireplace and lots of built-ins. The dining area opens to the kitchen with an island, quartz counters, stainless appliances and double ovens. Atrium doors lead to a private composite deck with an automatic awning. Off the kitchen is a convenient laundry room/mudroom with a tile floor, pantry closet plus a coat closet. A pocket door provides privacy from the kitchen. There is easy access to the attached single car garage. Then the coveted main floor primary suite with a walk-in closet plus private bath with a walk-in shower (that is plumbed for steam). Let's go upstairs to the open loft. There is a built-in desk for a great home office area. Enjoy a second bedroom plus another full bath. There is a large walk-in attic space for storage. The roof and mechanicals are all 11 years young with gas heat (3 zones - main house, primary suite and 2nd floor), gas hot water, security system plus a 2/3 year old irrigation system. Become part of the wonderful community, yet enjoy an easy lifestyle in this special home. MLS# 170501808 $475,000. 30 North Beacon St, Hartford CT. Mollie Abend 860.997.0313 | mabend@bhhsne.com.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

ANSONIA

9 Golden Rod Dr, Nezat, Rae and Middeleer, Nathan to Freeman, Michael and Freeman, Jaclyn, 6/28, $420,000

14 Clark St, Dever, Lauren B to Bush, Thomas, 6/30, $271,000

16 Orchard St, Thompson Brandon L Est and Williams Jr, Roger V to Kos, Shawn T and Kos, Rachel, 6/27, $125,000

21 Alan Dr, Venice, Diana to Stahl, Daniel B, 6/30, $360,000

34 Hall St, Roehl, William to Revere, Carol, 6/24, $185,000

39 Holbrook St, Paulter, Sandra to Romero, Augusto and Islas, Ana A, 6/30, $395,000

48 Pulaski Hwy, Stewart, Catherine V to Caruso, Marissa L, 6/28, $301,000

74 Hill St, Oval Enterprises LLC to Concepcion, Juan R, 6/30, $300,000

214 N Main St, Marzano, Matthew to Bode, Rachel A, 6/24, $418,000

ASHFORD

Cushman Rd, Thomas R Lackman LT and Lackman, Stephen G to Silvia Alina Oliveira RET and Oliveira, Silvia Alina, 6/29, $90,000

26 Ashford Lake Dr, Sheila Siegel RET and Siegel, Sheila to Fisher, Steven J and Duane-Fisher, Ja-Nae E, 7/1, $500,000

40 Fitts Rd, FHLM and REO Services LLC to Johnsen, Jordan, 7/1, $225,000

AVON

Arch Rd, Coombe, David and Coombe, Fiona to Palmer, Jay B and Palmer, Amanda B, 6/27, $641,000

Private Rd, Coombe, David and Coombe, Fiona to Palmer, Jay B and Palmer, Amanda B, 6/27, $641,000

1 Maple Ln Lot 1, Estrada, Maeshell and Florian, Michele to Mcveigh, Alison A, 6/28, $275,000

5 Manitook Mountain Rd, Pantigoso, Henry J and Walqui, Jeimy K to T Natl Equity Inc and Oakley, Vicky L, 6/29, $610,000

5 Manitook Mountain Rd, T Natl Equity Inc and Oakley, Vicki L to Lewis, Marc and Lewis, Annie S, 6/29, $610,000

19 Thistle Holw Lot 19, Schmunk, Diane and Schmunk, James to Kushner, Lawrence, 6/24, $640,000

20 Devonshire Ct, Arza, Swarna to Kumar, Nitin and Bhat, Seema, 6/24, $755,000

22 Midlands Dr, Kincaid, Brad to Phelan, Christina L, 6/29, $442,000

23 Haber Dr, Coombe, David and Coombe, Fiona to Palmer, Jay B and Palmer, Amanda B, 6/27, $641,000

42 Stratford Xing, Botet, Alfredo D and Botet, Sandra P to 42 Stratford Csng T, 6/27, $850,000

50 Scoville Rd, Virginia B Crockett T and Crockett, Virginia B to 66 Scoville Rd Assoc, 6/23, $15,000

54 Grant Dr, Bonetti Jr, George N to Provost, Stephen R and Ahina, Amy J, 6/22, $230,000

61 High Ridge Holw, Koczon, Thomas J to Shapiro, Jyll and Shapiro, Benjamin, 6/28, $670,000

75 Tamara Cir, Kirchhoff, Shirley G to Jaramillo, Daniel and Jaramillo, Kimberly, 6/27, $405,000

118 Parkview Dr, Feldman, Shane and Tibbitt, Julie to Omeliach, Orest and Kobelak, Nadia, 6/28, $505,000

158 Scoville Rd, Bemis, Craig and Bemis, Beth to Fagin, Matthew J and Fagin, Rosanna P, 6/28, $427,000

194 Reverknolls, Hayes, Graham A and Shariff, Aleeb to Culver, Marcelle and Culver, Joseph, 6/29, $682,000

239 Old Farms Rd Lot 12A, Cross, Thomas A and Cross, Kelly W to Wadsworth, Winthrop and Wadsworth, Marlene, 6/21, $115,000

471 Deercliff Rd, Jeng, David J and Jang, Mee J to Conway, Matthew G and Conway, Kelly, 6/29, $890,000

BARKHAMSTED

Bsullak Rd, H Thomas Nelson RET and Nelson, H Thomas to Garcarz, Bogdan, 6/29, $82,000

BEACON FALLS

6 Avenue East Ext, Colon, Jose C and Torres, Gelian M to Saez-Silva, Jose G, 6/28, $247,200

15 Bayberry Ct, EG Home LLC to Burke Jr, John P and Burke, Michele B, 6/30, $504,580

59 Summerfield St, Prowse, Mary J and Crowther, Justin K to EK Real Estate Fund 1 LLC and Easyknock Inc, 7/1, $245,000

350 Rimmon Hill Rd, Halkovic, Christine to Halkovic, Alexander J and Halkovic, Merianne, 6/30, $240,000

BERLIN

26 Iris Way Lot 26, Cichosz, Mariusz and Cichosz, Beata to Antonacci, Dennis F and Antonacci, Lucinda A, 6/30, $341,000

78 Towne Dr, Stamey, Carolyn A and Stamey, James C to Lyagusha, Victor, 6/30, $390,000

175 Lamentation Dr, Barnes 2nd, Richard D and Barnes, Michelle L to Taylor, Trevor J and Taylor, Brenda, 6/27, $669,900

600 4 Rod Rd Lot 3, Jace LLC to Par Realty LLC, 6/30, $300,000

1449 Farmington Ave, Augustine, Renee to Dimauro, Fabrizio, 6/30, $310,000

BETHANY

20 Sperry Rd, 20 Sperry Road LLC to Doolan, Conner and Doolan, Ingrid, 6/30, $340,000

21 Peck Rd, Garceau Peck LLC to Delia, Jesse, 6/27, $475,000

165 Fairwood Rd, Fairwood Partners LLC to Ferrell, Steven L and Ferrell, Chelsea, 6/27, $485,000

BETHEL

1 Oakview Ln Lot 1, Bethel Woods LLC to Smith Jr, Norman W, 6/30, $575,000

4 Pell Mell Dr, Escobar, Rodrigo E and Escobar, Barbara S to Redding, Sterling, 6/23, $800,000

9 Oak Ridge Rd, Watson, Meredith L to Quinones, Jesus R, 6/28, $427,000

12 Cole Ln, Steinkirchner, Brent P and Steinkirchner, Tanya to Kalluri, Ravi C and Sukhavasi, Vidya, 6/30, $765,000

20 Hunting Ridge Ln Lot 20, Toll CT LP to Potter, Siw E, 6/27, $602,746

24 Kristy Dr, Brasek, Thomas P and Brasek, Elizabeth K to Beattie, Richard M and Beattie, Kari M, 6/30, $672,000

27 Castle Hill Dr, Benzinger, Peter C and Benzinger, Sara M to Vivian, William A, 6/30, $375,000

53 Quaker Ridge Rd, Dwinells, Mark and Dwinells, Karen M to Oromaner, Marc A and Almonte-Oromaner, Arineli, 6/30, $520,000

61 Hidden Brook Trl Lot 61, Bonda, Gioia and Gallello, Charles to Macdonald, John and Macdonald, Laura, 6/30, $532,500

78 Hoyts Hl, Bray, Erica C to Aponte, Gina C, 6/27, $643,000

81 Lawrence Ave Lot 1901, Seropian, Grace Y to Randle, Jaime, 6/30, $520,000

136 Putnam Park Rd, Barbarie, Thomas J and Barbarie, Dean to Monet, Christine M, 6/30, $460,000

BETHLEHEM

64 Judson Ln, Guz, Jaroslaw and Guz, Malgorzata J to Becker, Terrill, 6/30, $488,000

BLOOMFIELD

6 Kelsey Pl, Hampton, Shaunta D to Cunha 3rd, Victor and Krupinski, Jordan N, 6/30, $205,000

6 Tanglewood Ct Lot 6, Lacombe, Brian J to Murray, Susan, 6/27, $170,000

11 Woodland Ave Lot F, Melendez, Ramona to Melendez, Izaih I, 7/1, $150,000

33 Bay Hill Dr Lot 33, Borden, Edene to Hatch, Dwight S and Fornabi, Paula A, 7/1, $655,000

111 Oliver Way Lot 111, Auguste Gilles, Louis M to Dellaccio, Dennis J and Valencis, Janet M, 6/30, $430,000

148 Tunxis Ave, Bryant, Thomas A to Romano, Alyssa A, 7/1, $298,500

1228 Blue Hills Ave, Puente, Julianne H to Dietrich, Matthew, 7/1, $245,000

BOLTON

55 Hatfield Rd, Marshall, Kenneth A to Holliman, Kimberly A and Holliman, Robert M, 6/30, $445,000

159 Bolton Center Rd, Smith Jr, Frank A and Smith, Cynthia T to Barbee, Dustin E and Barbee, Trivia D, 6/28, $275,000

194 Hebron Rd, Tarricone, Christopher and Tarricone, Jennifer to Batista, Thiago, 6/27, $410,000

BRANFORD

Alps Rd, Longobardi, John J and Longobardi, Barbara J to Sotomayor, Federico, 6/30, $435,000

Grove St, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $619,500

Grove St, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $430,500

River Rd, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $430,500

11 Grove Ave, Novick, Jack I and Novick, Jane S to Storer 3rd, Geoge B and Storer, Teresa B, 6/27, $535,000

11 Shady Ln, Longobardi, John J and Longobardi, Barbara J to Sotomayor, Federico, 6/30, $435,000

12 Carriage Hill Dr, Cherry Hill Const Inc to Birthwright, Keith and Birthwright, Thongsabai, 6/29, $535,000

15 Etzel Rd, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $430,500

18 Etzel Rd, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $619,500

19 Etzel Rd, Robert J Mcdonald T and Mcdonald, Eileen N to Tomassini, Nancy A and Federico, Jennifer L, 6/27, $619,500

26 Bay Path Way Lot 26, Sparks, Jared T to Kripps, Brian, 6/30, $192,500

45 Jefferson Rd Lot 1-3, Potter, Gary to Levine, Richard, 6/24, $140,000

51 Beckett Ave, Jefferson, Michael R and Jefferson, Sarah to Shih, Joy and Nelesen, Joseph, 6/24, $1,010,000

52 Pine Orchard Rd, Bohnert Carol J Est and Langwig, Lois to Hawkes, Tracey, 6/29, $321,200

57 E Industrial Rd, RCR Enterprises LLC to 57 East Industrial LLC, 6/24, $1,225,000

63 Cedar Knolls Dr Lot 63, Dorsi, Elizabeth A to Gioia, Joshua, 6/29, $225,000

111 Hotchkiss Grove Rd Lot 7, Novick, Jack I and Novick, Jane S to Storer 3rd, Geoge B and Storer, Teresa B, 6/27, $535,000

116 Fresh Meadow Rd Lot 116, Cortese, Alicia M to Mccullagh, Brian, 6/30, $285,000

130 Watch Hill Rd Lot 130, Williams, Kelsey L to Finnegan, Myrna M, 6/30, $260,000

171 Foxbridge Village Rd Lot 171, Dillon, Holly to Rios, Jordan C, 6/28, $231,000

1151 W Main St, HV Retail Dev LLC to Silas Deane Professional, 6/29, $7,439,024

1247 S Montowese St Lot 4, Wilson, Marion V to Balzano, Richard A and Balzano, Barbara R, 6/30, $242,000

BRIDGEPORT

Eastwood Park, Carroll, Nicholas and Jorle, Yalissa to Eckert, Elmer F, 6/22, $450,000

10 Woodbine Cir, Veglio Otto Est and Veglio, Ottavio V to Agh, Attila, 6/23, $465,000

14 Conner St, Alves, Jose to Orellana, Henry M and Campos, Alma N, 6/27, $465,000

30 Stevens St Lot 302, Velloso, Andre and Velloso, Maria to 64 Charron St Assoc LLC, 6/23, $90,000

30 Stevens St Lot 101, Velloso, Andre and Velloso, Maria to 64 Charron St Assoc LLC, 6/23, $90,000

39 Nob Hill Cir Lot B, Wade, Sandra to Anderson, Anthony, 6/23, $85,000

49 Mencel Cir Lot A, Weaver Walter L Est and Ortiz, Kathern to Ortiz Realty LLC, 6/23, $115,000

141 Norland Ave, Silva, Daniel S to 141 Norland LLC, 6/23, $200,000

143 Ruth St, Coello, Arnaldo to Guaman, Wilson N and Espinoza, Luis E, 6/27, $479,000

145 Ruth St, Coello, Arnaldo to Guaman, Wilson N and Espinoza, Luis E, 6/27, $479,000

146 Eastwood Rd, Carroll, Nicholas and Jorle, Yalissa to Eckert, Elmer F, 6/22, $450,000

153 Virginia Ave Lot 153, Veterans Helping Veterans to Romer, Cynthia and Papageorge, George A, 6/23, $145,000

211 Granfield Ave, Coastal Fairfield Cnty to Garcia, Ramon A and Santos, Vanessa S, 6/24, $180,000

211 Granfield Ave, Coastal Fairfield Cnty to Dormez, Yalitza, 6/24, $162,000

215 Granfield Ave, Coastal Fairfield Cnty to Garcia, Ramon A and Santos, Vanessa S, 6/24, $180,000

215 Granfield Ave, Coastal Fairfield Cnty to Dormez, Yalitza, 6/24, $162,000

340 Pleasantview Ave, Majette, Patricia H and US Bank NA to Zhu, Jian, 6/23, $370,000

500 Lakeside Dr, Morales, Patricia E to Henriquez, Jose and Henriquez, Amanda N, 6/22, $330,000

650 Queen St, Debrum Delfina Est and Debrum, Paul to Rios, Milton, 6/27, $320,000

967 Capitol Ave, Braga, Paulo H to Poole, Shanelle R and Poole, Aretha, 6/27, $479,000

2174 E Main St, Jimmys Auto LLC to 85-48 Owners Corp, 6/23, $420,000

2184 E Main St, Jimmys Auto LLC to 85-48 Owners Corp, 6/23, $420,000

2196 E Main St, Jimmys Auto LLC to 85-48 Owners Corp, 6/23, $420,000

BRISTOL

Broad St, Palaia, David to Lagace, Luke and Lagace, Kathleen, 7/1, $15,000

Church Ave, BD Church LLC to Bristol City Of, 6/29, $550,000

Jerome Ave, NTH LLC to Carrier Group Inc, 7/1, $142,000

Twining St, Palaia, David to Lagace, Luke and Lagace, Kathleen, 7/1, $15,000

7 Conlon St, Derienzo Properties LLC to Colon 7 BCT LLC, 6/30, $550,000

17 Sunrise Ter, Sternal, Barbara to Rogers, Austin T and Rogers, Todd K, 6/29, $277,000

20 Berkshire Dr, Archambault, Andrea to Archambault, Andrea A, 6/30, $59,697

20 Tuscarora Pl, Poplawski, Marta and Poplawski, Lukasz to Irizarry, Wilfredo and Irzarry, Nancy, 7/1, $340,000

38 Norton St, Patrizi Alferio Est and Grab, Phyllis to Moore, Dawnette and Moore, Dwight, 6/27, $273,900

42 Winding Brook Rd, Sterpka, Sylvia T and Sterpka, David M to Haaser, Susanne M and Lupia, Joseph W, 6/24, $325,000

43 Algonquin Way, Swinton, Melvin to Rivera, Xylina, 7/1, $272,000

45 Primrose Ln, Hernandez, Jason J and Hernandez, Natalia V to Conover, Emma and Pawlow, Nicholas R, 7/1, $429,000

48 Haig Ave, Ramos, Samuel to Pisko, Jason, 6/29, $270,000

53 Gillette Way Lot 53, Lemieux Developers LLC to Guastella, Anthony and Filippone, Michelle, 6/28, $265,000

62 Knoll St, Antonelli, Michael to Casciani, Caleb J and Titarenko, Christina D, 6/29, $315,000

64 Whippoorwill Ln, Marcus W Mcphee 2010 RET and Mcphee, Marcus W to Arndt, Kenneth and Barner, Lisa J, 6/28, $90,000

67 Burlington Ave, Garcia, Eduardo to Apolonia-Lugg, Kelita, 6/30, $270,000

72 Fox Den Rd, Monteleone, Jeffrey M to Johnson, Zachary T and Johnson, Thomas R, 6/28, $285,000

72 Prospect St, Pro Karma Inv&Solt LLC to Urbaez 3rd, Evaristo, 6/24, $285,000

72 Whippoorwill Ln, Marcus W Mcphee 2012 RET and Mcphee, Marcus W to Arndt, Kenneth and Barner, Lisa J, 6/28, $650,000

80 N Pond St, Brewster, Michael L to Liseo Jr, Gary F, 6/30, $221,000

83 Mercier Ave, Kelley, Diane L to Kelley, Jillian M and Elsdon, Christopher M, 6/30, $146,640

83 Mercier Ave, Boldue Claude J Est and Kelley, Diane L to Kelley, Jillian M and Elsdon, Christopher M, 6/30, $73,320

87 Hull St, Chiarillo Antoinette Est and Chiarillo, William to James, Christine, 7/1, $215,000

93 Allentown Rd, Skiba, Christopher and German, Alexandra to Raju-Atkuri, Rana V and Atkuri, Nirmaladevi, 6/24, $420,000

96 Matthews St, Canepa, James to Megonigal 3rd, James, 7/1, $270,000

107 Rockwell Ave, Malagrino, Susan to Hendricks, Ondre D and Jordan, Latoya, 7/1, $220,000

125 West St Lot 10, Stpierre, Melissa to Garrison, Christopher, 7/1, $60,150

155 Redstone Hill Rd Lot 34, Shusteric, Jason S to Perrone, Javier F, 7/1, $165,000

172 Indian Trl, Lamarre, Matthew to Cesani-Oliveras, Nahomy B and Garcia-Guadalupe, V R, 7/1, $305,000

189 Redstone Hill Rd Lot 17, Lawrence W Biskupiak RET and Biskupiak, Lawrence W to Cassin, Jeffrey and Cassin, Susan M, 6/24, $384,500

195 Wilderness Way, Thomas, Franklyn J to Grover, Nathan and Grover, Amanda, 6/30, $450,000

211 Beths Ave, Dube, Nicole E to Ortiz, Raymond A and Ortiz, Monica, 6/30, $280,000

215 Rockwell Ave, Berry, Robert C and Berry, Frances A to Machado, Jessica L, 7/1, $260,000

239 Burlington Ave, Rosa, Kevin P to Miller, Michael O and Miller, Sara, 6/30, $239,900

246 Rambler St, Thompson, Vincent to Schipkowski, Francisco S, 6/30, $290,000

279 Redstone Hill Rd Lot 50, Kriscenski, Jason to Papachristos, Dimitrios, 6/30, $97,500

314 Washington St, Rodriguez, Jose L to Davenport, April D, 6/30, $285,000

371 Emmett St Lot 32, Bird, Sarah to Mclellan, Greg and Mclellan, Janice E, 6/30, $120,000

415 King St, Harvey, Tonya R to Robert, Alyssa and Siergiej, Michael, 6/24, $267,000

436 Clark Ave, Family Homes Renovations to Reid, Monique A and Reid, Sylvia, 6/28, $232,000

441 Clark Ave Lot 24, Stafford, Sandra C to Hinds, William L, 6/30, $128,500

505 Emmett St Lot B11, Kukla, Anthony to Aleksandrova, Darya, 7/1, $93,000

895 Matthews St Lot 13, Pelletier, Karen A to Gilliam, Raymond, 6/28, $166,000

895 Matthews St Lot 11, Swasey, Richard A to Swasey Jr, Richard A, 6/30, $143,000

BROOKFIELD

9 Oak Branch Dr Lot 9, Lutz, Paul E and Lutz, Janet B to Madan, Sameer and Madan, Neha, 6/28, $430,000

15 Oak Mdws, Cirmin Development LLC to Hanadl, Victor H, 6/28, $400,000

28 Greenknoll Dr, Dembowski, Gregory J and Dembowski, Patricia H to Meadows, Michael A and Meadows, Katherine S, 6/30, $710,000

30 Obtuse Rd N, Kelley, Stephen L and Kelley, Susan L to Barman, Nell and Narayam, Arpan, 6/29, $1,200,000

31 Obtuse Rd N, Kelley, Stephen L and Kelley, Susan L to Barman, Nell and Narayam, Arpan, 6/29, $1,200,000

32 Obtuse Rd N, Kelley, Stephen L and Kelley, Susan L to Barman, Nell and Narayam, Arpan, 6/29, $1,200,000

33 Obtuse Rd N, Kelley, Stephen L and Kelley, Susan L to Barman, Nell and Narayam, Arpan, 6/29, $1,200,000

34 Obtuse Rd N, Kelley, Stephen L and Kelley, Susan L to Barman, Nell and Narayam, Arpan, 6/29, $1,200,000

37 Old Route 7, Greenway Crossing LLC to Cohen, Matt and Clancy, Kelley, 6/27, $479,900

46 N Mountain Rd, Garodalo, Louis M to Almeida, Robert and Almeida, Anota S, 7/1, $570,000

117 Whisconier Rd, LBR Holdings LLC to Spiller, Brian, 6/29, $700,000

184 Long Meadow Hill Rd, Dahlmeyer, Blake G to Ralph, Jessica and Adelman, James, 7/1, $391,950

BROOKLYN

22 Allen Hill Rd, Berris, Ida and Kardestuncer, Aino to Pinedale Farm LLP, 6/28, $300,000

279 Day St, Arigno, Jodi L to Fernandez, Fernando and Fernandez, Rosemery, 6/27, $385,000

BURLINGTON

Nepaug Rd, Gillespie, James E to Clavette, Carl, 6/29, $500,000

15 Turner Ln, Majkowski, Drew and Majkowski, Tambri to Sears, Todd R, 6/29, $335,000

18 Ryans Way, Nese, Ron J and Mccann, Susan A to Brophy, Rita A, 7/1, $525,000

19 Angelas Way, Maclaren, Erik S and Maclaren, Nicole to Batory, Brandon and Shaw, Lauren, 6/30, $800,000

19 Bittersweet Ln, Mehan, Michael J and Mehan, Suzanna to Pankenier, Michael C, 6/30, $287,000

75 Daniel Trce, Lanpher, Richard G and Lanpher, Jocelyn B to Jade Property LLC, 6/27, $450,000

123 W Chippens Hill Rd, Naylor, Brian and Hynds, Lynda A to Wood, Thoomas J and Wood, Megan A, 6/30, $300,000

CANTERBURY

16 N Canterbury Rd, Virga, Joseph P and Albee, John to Fertman, Judd, 6/27, $177,000

76 John Brook Rd, Andrews, Brenda M to Johnson, Ronald and Reda, Crystal, 6/30, $445,500

CANTON

1 Maple Ave, Gauvin, Keith J and Gauvin, Heidi A to Patel, Prakash, 6/24, $445,000

3 Drake Ln, Do, Logan H to Al, Ahmed and Al, Gamal, 6/30, $397,200

5 Albany Tpke Lot B, Dean I Moulton LT and Oconnell, Douglas K to 5 Albany Turnpike LLC, 6/27, $600,000

10 Brookview Cir Lot 10, Dufour, Richard E and Lee, Lan W to Haller, Wendy M and Haller, Michael, 6/27, $300,000

10 Juniper Cir, Testa, Melissa to Taylor, Christine E, 6/24, $360,000

30 Thayer Ave, Mckenzie, Allison C and Haythorn, Carol E to Pinto, Ruth G, 6/27, $320,000

255 Albany Tpke, Leblanc, Mary to Chouinard, Danielle M, 6/30, $269,000

CHAPLIN

111 England Rd, Labbe, Kathleen to Laplume, Michael R and Laplume, Holly A, 6/27, $280,000

CHESHIRE

17 N Pond Rd, Nguyen, Trach and Nguyen, Kristen to Proto, Anna E and Harasta, Evan S, 6/28, $625,000

29 Lancaster Way, Singanamala, Santhi and Singanamala, Naveen to Logiacco FT and Logiacco, Lauren D, 7/1, $589,900

49 Currier Pl Lot 49, Marian Cochran T and Soikes, Rachel M to Boutin, Dawn M, 6/30, $215,000

60 Williamsburg Dr, Duhig, Thomas J and Duhig, Maureen A to Prentice, Scott and Prentice, Nixida, 6/30, $433,000

66 Trout Brook Rd, Gancarz, Linda H to Nevins 3rd, Edward J and Nevins, Kaitlyn C, 6/30, $635,000

87 Old Towne Rd Lot 87, Campbell, Bryan to Capozzi, Marianne D, 6/28, $325,000

96 Farview Dr, Caron Sr, Charles E to Khadem, Ramin, 6/29, $201,000

100 Northwood Ct, Desrosier, Gail to Wieloch, Jeremy, 6/27, $655,000

155 Northwood Ct, Albino, Lori A to Pedersen, Joseph K and Pedersen, Kristen M, 6/29, $675,000

214 Harrison Rd, Gozzo, Yeisid F to Potter, Matthew and Patel, Shruti, 6/28, $655,000

325 Sorghum Ridge Rd, Blatchley, Steven A and Blatchley, Mary M to Mckean, Graham and Mckean, Sarah J, 6/28, $543,000

362 Spring St, Sidoruk, Andrea L and Sidoruk, Stephen F to Clark, Jeffrey and Clark, Jennifer, 7/1, $703,500

420 Greens Loop Lot 420, Farrington, Mark and Farrington, Monique to Nugent, Casey, 6/27, $195,000

524 Woodpond Rd, Reiner, Alan W and Reiner, Rachel C to Rock, Brian J and Rock, Beth, 6/27, $380,000

605 Ives Row, Daddio, David J to Montemurro, Alyssa M and Pascale, Daniel J, 6/27, $400,000

1041 King Rd, Brown, Nicolas R and Sabellico, Sara J to Czepiga 3rd, Edward F and Czepiga, Kaitlyn, 6/27, $426,000

CHESTER

Story Hill Rd, Tovey, Dennis G and Tovey, Theresa M to Kimball, Stephanie M and Lafleur, Michael R, 6/28, $560,000

3 Waterhouse Ln, Dambra, Awilda and Dambra, Michael to Joseph, Justin E and Reodica, Rochelle C, 6/28, $615,000

CLINTON

15 Silverbrook Ln Lot 15, Haneman Sarah J Est and Fanelli, Theresa to Wallen, Gregory W, 7/1, $350,000

15 W Shore Dr, Falango, Judith to Falango, Christopher, 6/29, $130,000

25 Riverside Dr Lot B4, Pellegrino Jr, Frank to Guerette, Karen, 7/1, $165,000

40 Central Ave, Wallinger, Bonnie to Starrs, John, 6/27, $290,000

59 Old Post Rd Lot I5, Dennison, Carol C to Fournier, Gary and Fournier, Deborah, 7/1, $251,000

COLCHESTER

19 Cato Corner Rd, Gwozdz, Julie G to Bailes, James E, 6/29, $95,000

24 Oak Leaf Dr, Miller, Mary J to Sciglimpaglia-Vigue, Emily and Sciglimpaglia-Vigue, P A, 6/29, $435,000

71 Bush Rock Rd, Kutner, David W and Kutner, Deirdre A to Augeri, John H, 6/28, $380,000

212 Upton Rd, Childrens Inv 2 LLC to Baldi Upton LLC, 6/27, $662,500

567 Westchester Rd, Brooks, James J and Brooks, Nicole L to Kazana, Matthew H and Kazana, Erica J, 6/30, $475,000

COLUMBIA

4 Sunrise Dr, SR Blanchard Inc to Kyte, Philip W and Kyte, Triche R, 6/27, $525,900

8 Summit Rd, Mcgomihgal, Anthony D to Grabski, Daniel, 6/27, $340,000

9 Route 6, Munson, Judith A to Oyola, Natalia C, 6/27, $225,000

204 Pine St, Dunmeyer, Robert M to Garcia, Anja and Kelleher, John J, 7/1, $386,100

COVENTRY

29 Spring Trl, Debonee James J Est and Brown, Barbara to Wheeler 3rd, Samuel C and Wheeler, Pamela B, 7/1, $153,000

32 Heather Ln, Griffith, Justin and Griffith, Paige to Campbell, Ryan and Campbell, Jamie, 7/1, $583,000

145 Lancaster Rd, Hunt, Chris to Patulak, James and Patulak, Sandra, 6/29, $366,000

745 Merrow Rd Lot 118, Dodge, Jonathan M to Taylor, Jennifer E and Taylor Jr, James J, 6/28, $158,000

1171 Grant Hill Rd, Mannarino Builders Inc to Mannarino, Richard and Flannery, Elizabeth, 7/1, $175,000

DANBURY

Clairann Dr, Mescall, Kevin E and Mescall, Kimberly to Barrett Jr, Michael R and Barrett, Marlene G, 6/30, $90,058

1 Lexington Ave, Orr, Jonathan and Lee, Elizabeth to Martins, Pedro, 6/30, $420,000

2 Clairann Dr, Mescall Ann K Est and Mescall, Kevin E to Barrett Jr, Michael R and Barrett, Marlene G, 6/30, $279,942

3 Arthur St, Kornfeld, Andi L to Reed, Claudia, 6/29, $405,000

3 Royal Pine Dr, Devery, Jeff and Devery, Mary E to Teixeira, Daniel, 6/28, $483,300

3 Stevens St, Kupinska, Bozena to 5 Stevens LLC, 6/27, $665,000

5 Stevens St, Kupinska, Bozena to 5 Stevens LLC, 6/27, $665,000

6 Greenlawn Dr, Sun Home Services Inc to Teixeira, Sandi L, 6/29, $169,995

6 Rose Ln Lot 36, Mejia, Jaison D to Batista, Maria E, 6/28, $225,000

7 Padanaram Rd Lot C62, Desai, Darshit to Muthukumar, Vallinayagam, 6/29, $166,500

7 Padanaram Rd Lot E125, Ivanov, Assen to Vargas, Yandy D, 6/30, $170,000

7 White Oak Dr Lot 7, Mccabe, Francis J and Kaelin, Jennifer L to Sthill, Riccardo and Jennings, Julene, 6/29, $480,000

8 Rose Ln Lot 22, Cordova, Elsa R to Rivera, Katherin, 6/28, $296,000

9 Farview Ave Lot 3-15, Kantlehener, Cathryn H to Garcia, Jamie A, 6/27, $275,000

10 Elmcrest Dr, Guerrera, Robert P and Guerrera, Doreen M to Peralta, Richie and Rosario, Dilcy L, 6/30, $605,000

10 W Lake Shore Dr, Mahar, Francis J to Siguenza, Birmania K, 6/29, $325,000

12 Coach Rd, Lundwall Richard A Est and Depalma, Sharan to Skidmore, Lindsay E and Skidmore, Gretchen S, 6/27, $438,000

12 Kenosia Trl, Sun Home Services Inc to Teixeira, Sandi L, 6/29, $169,995

14 South St Lot 56, Sealey, Donique to Bohn, Christopher W, 6/28, $330,000

16 Hayestown Rd Lot B18, Crystal Beach Dev Corp to Ogiela, Dennis and Ogiela, Gloria, 6/30, $675,000

17 Holley St, Sheppard Sr, David A and Sheppard, Portia G to Diaz, Karolina and Alvarez, Sandra, 6/30, $335,000

23 Scuppo Rd Lot 1-2, Tjong, Dany to Escalante, Jose L, 6/29, $205,000

27 Hospital Ave Lot 201, Bakhru, Nanik to Bolo NY LLC, 6/28, $70,000

29 Hospital Ave Lot 201, Bakhru, Nanik to Bolo NY LLC, 6/28, $70,000

34 Foster St, Jarama, Julio T and Romero, Maria E to Rodrigues, Lailton S, 6/27, $630,000

37 Paul St, Schindel, Michael H to Orlando, Frank and Kelley, Meghann M, 6/30, $524,000

41 Tamarack Ave Lot 130, Garlind Associates LLC to Logan, Lori L, 6/28, $371,130

42 Tanglewood Dr, Lang, Mark A and Lang, Frances L to Duffy, James W and Duffy, Julia A, 6/29, $655,000

42 Victor St Lot 3, Hayes, Dwayne A and Woodley, Nicole to Tampone, Thomas, 6/29, $312,000

54 Warrington Round Lot 54, Deborah J Reid LT and Reid, Deborah J to Sisson, Raymond C, 6/29, $515,000

59 Lawrence Ave Lot 59, Kirby, Steve to Sutradhar, Pranab, 7/1, $501,000

81 Lawrence Ave Lot 81, Seropian, Grace Y to Randle, Jaime, 6/30, $520,000

92 Warrington Round Lot 92, King, Adam C and King, Ai S to Sisson, Raymond C, 6/29, $513,900

97-99 Park Ave Lot 53, Patton, Kate L and Patton, Eli J to Fleming, Avalon, 6/29, $285,000

151 Shelter Rock Rd Lot 58, Tustin, Susan L to Hickmont Partners LLC, 6/30, $260,250

151 Shelter Rock Rd Lot 24, Anderson, Karlene to Villamana, Kristina L, 6/27, $205,000

163 South St Lot 75, Fetts1 LLC to Sosa, Richard and Vecchioly, Lillian, 6/30, $155,000

166 Old Brookfield Rd Lot 8C3, Cesca, Robert P to Chakraborty, Anirban, 6/29, $280,000

166 Old Brookfield Rd Lot 21A2, Miller, Bridget and Dayton, Jennifer to Moschetti, Phyllis, 6/29, $169,900

DARIEN

3 Abbey Rd, Bavier, Anne to Mackenzie, Macaela and Mcanearney, Stephen, 6/27, $1,536,000

7 Tanglewood Trl, Hughes, Christopher and Hughes, Lisa to Monsif, Moriah B and Monsif, Christopher N, 6/23, $3,125,000

9 Duffys Ln, Harnisch, David and Harnisch, Kristen to Koltov, Michael and Koltov, Elizabeth, 6/27, $2,000,000

17 Hanson Rd, Yurman 2nd, Joseph J and Yurman, Jeanne L to Moore, Ryan and Moore, Abigail, 6/29, $1,850,000

18 Marianne Rd, Vaningen, Joseph S and Vaningen, Caroline M to Searles, Taylor and Searles, Erin, 6/23, $1,902,500

28 Relihan Rd, Murphy, James J and Murphy, Jennifer N to Gostling, Page H, 6/28, $1,875,000

34 Gardiner St, Hoal-Dang, Khiem T and Le, Giang C to Errazuriz, Nicolas L and Arcangelo, Christina, 6/28, $2,051,000

38 Goodwives River Rd, Bender Management Inc and Peoples United Bank NA to Wilson, Oliver, 6/27, $1,990,000

47 Kensett Ln Lot 47, Himel, Robert J and Liu, Chih Y to Cerci, Vildan O and Cerci, Cenk, 6/28, $1,800,000

139 Leroy Ave, Shelly A Skoglund RET and Skoglund, Shelly A to Trites, David and Trites, Christine, 6/28, $2,950,000

285 West Ave, Smith, Courtney A and Grzyb, Martin K to Paul, Helen M and Paul, Cory, 6/27, $1,150,000

319 Boston Post Rd, BDQ LLC to 319 Post Road LLC, 6/29, $2,400,000

1638 Boston Post Rd, Pounds Andre H Est and Freccia 3rd, Vincent J to Delgado, Karina and Cardenas, Jose F, 6/23, $1,097,000

DEEP RIVER

N/A, Piedmont Financial T Co to Besheret LLC, 7/1, $585,000

118 Rattling Valley Rd, Lewis, Marc B and Lewis, Annie S to Polkowski, Adam M and Polkowski, Gina M, 6/29, $515,500

DERBY

Coon Hollow Rd, Lodolce, Jodie to Downs, Michele, 7/1, $200,000

23 Orangewood W Lot 23, Cadoret, Noelle D to Rodriguez, Yolanda R, 6/30, $251,000

25 Pine St, Fleischer, Raymond A and Vanegas, Beverly J to Munoz, Catalia S and Marin, Jair, 6/30, $310,000

73 Park Ave, Smith Jr, Harvey J to Jones Sr, Richard and Jones, Vanessa H, 6/28, $320,000

85 Summit Cmns Lot 85, Lodolce, Jodie to Downs, Michele, 7/1, $200,000

92 Academy Hill Rd, Bartone, Andrew to Gadomska, Sylwia, 6/30, $199,000

273 Derby Ave Lot 301, Sanzo, Ilario to Hicks, Dwayne, 6/30, $194,500

DURHAM

1060 New Haven Rd, Morro, Kristen H to Amendola, Natalie R and Amendola, Nicolas, 6/27, $410,000

EAST GRANBY

5 North Rd, Massucci, Linda to Cheryl B Kornegay LT and Kornegay, Cheryl B, 7/1, $299,000

22 Stark Dr, Weller, Lawrence W and Weller, Kaitlin I to Penn, Kyle E and Torf, Kelly M, 6/27, $330,000

28 Sanford Rdg Lot 28, Soriano, Veronica V to Hodgdon, Elaine, 6/28, $420,000

45 Ridge Blvd, Plocki, Daniel R and Plocki, Kristen K to Zygmunt, Joanna and Zygmunt, Krzysztof M, 7/1, $506,500

EAST HADDAM

7 East Ln, Hooper, Charles L and Hooper, Joanne T to Main, Merrilee J and Gerarde, Donald M, 6/30, $248,800

46 Hedlund Rd, Wiedermann, George to Schwartzman, Adam D and Finch, Leslie, 6/30, $225,000

60 Alger Rd, Seplowitz, Bruce and Seplowitz, Adrienne S to Bajalan, Omar, 7/1, $193,000

EAST HAMPTON

Laurel Rdg Lot 24, Ohr FT and Ohr, Henry L to Varni, Sharon and Varni

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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50 Hamlet Hill Ln, 50 Hamlet Hill LLC to Southport Hamlet Hill LLC, 6/24, $340,000

54 Figlar Ave, Fitzmorris, Patrick and Fitzmorris, Amanda S to Costa, Cristina A and Costa, Jeffrey M, 6/24, $1,450,000

54 Hamilton Ct Lot 54, Rao, Sanjeev and Rao, Rowena to Martone, Lynda and Butler, Michael, 6/29, $930,000

55 Arising St, 335 Kings Highway LLC to South Yard LLC, 6/27, $650,000

55 Brion Dr, Sheila Moran Rev LT and Moran, Sheila to Burns-Crespo, Allison and Burns-Crespo, Leticia, 6/30, $590,000

57 Flower House Dr, 57 Flower House Road LLC to Hayes-Stagno, Caroline, 7/1, $940,100

100 Lancelot Rd, Nelson, Gary S to Olson, Josh and Olson, Caitlin, 7/1, $2,075,000

101 Field Point Dr Lot 101, Lonergan Partnership LLC to Herman, Christina, 6/30, $875,000

103 Marian Rd, Lynch, Robert A and Lynch, Kathryn A to Lopreiato, Filippo A and Ciccarelli, Kelsey, 6/29, $620,000

105 Burr St, Hines, Roberta L and Liebrand, Jerome T to May, Dale and May, Mary, 7/1, $1,335,000

108 Old Black Rock Tpke, Edward V Poster T and Postler-Herman, Kerry to Darling 2nd, James H, 7/1, $400,000

117 South St, Strang, Frances R and Strang 2nd, Ward E to Cannon, Michael and Cannon, Stephanie, 7/1, $815,000

119 Westford Dr, Dasilva, Reuben and Dasilva, Heidi L to Barragan, Jorge E, 7/1, $510,000

123 Pease Ave, Lucien Investors LLC to Chirunomula, Latha and Karra, Vikash, 6/30, $900,000

133 Longdean Rd, Monahan, John E and Monahan, Debbie A to Pernice, Anthony P and Pernice, Samantha M, 6/27, $1,527,000

135 Warner Hill Rd, Hurley 3rd, Vincent J and Hurley, Mary J to Shua, Menashe and Shua, Stephanie, 6/27, $1,089,000

140 Stillson Rd Lot 140, Bravo Jr, Anthony to Gavin, James and Gavin, Mary E, 6/29, $883,000

141 Acorn Ln, Oricoli, Stephen A and Oricoli, Michele M to Fitzmorris, Patrick and Fitzmorris, Amanda, 7/1, $2,426,000

151 Aran Hill Rd, Moriarty, Robert F and Moriarty, Barbara M to Margarint, Radu and James-Margarint, Karen, 6/28, $1,700,000

160 Hemlock Hills Rd S, Better Real Estate LLC to Graber, Joel P, 7/1, $1,500,000

168 Hillcrest Rd, Wargo Sr, Julian J to Prizio Sr, Peter, 6/30, $450,000

174 Stonybrook Rd, Mcdonald, James and Mcdonald, Linda J to Zerfoss, Samuel and Zerfoss, Elissa, 6/27, $1,450,000

192 Lindamir Ln, Preci, Angelo to Coppola, Jason and Coppola, Shea, 6/30, $950,000

243 Parkwood Rd, Coleman, Sophie M to Tucker, Jennifer and Tucker, William, 6/28, $901,000

269 Homefair Dr, Woodworth 3rd, John D and Woodworth, Susan M to Kerber, Erica and Kraft, David, 6/27, $1,530,000

295 Hill Farm Rd, Herbert M Lobsenz Res T and Lobsenz, Andew to Tien, Jem B and Mathis-Tien, Ryan, 6/30, $1,350,000

309 Round Hill Rd, Porier, Joseph L and Hunter, Deborah L to Alvarado, Roger and Alvarado, Isabelle, 6/30, $665,000

321 Judd St, Franklin, Carole A to Saluk, Piotr and Saluk, Claire, 7/1, $620,000

329 Fairview Ave, Price, Ryan M and Caston-Price, Janice to Mccurdy, Sean R, 6/27, $850,000

355 Kings Hwy E, 335 Kings Highway LLC to South Yard LLC, 6/27, $650,000

551 Joan Dr, Nolan, Robert to Inchoco Jr, William L and Pabalate-Inchoco, Divina, 6/24, $930,000

604 Stratfield Rd, Russo, Steven W to Shey, Darius and Shey, Azlina, 6/28, $889,000

653 Tunxis Hill Rd, Birdsall Elizabeth Est and Cushman, Gerald to Sherazi, Saima, 6/28, $355,000

890 Church Hill Rd, Gomartin 3 LLC to Breen, Seamus and Sandoval, Arnoldo, 6/27, $737,500

1097 Fairfield Beach Rd, Capasso, Pasquale J to Donna C Vogel RET and Vogel, Donna C, 6/30, $2,300,000

1104 Fairfield Beach Rd, Capasso, Pasquale J to Donna C Vogel RET and Vogel, Donna C, 6/30, $2,300,000

1491 Mill Hill Rd, Germain, John C to Cymbolin, Sarah and Cymbolin, Brian, 6/24, $1,425,000

3000 Black Rock Tpke, Heard, Ethan J and Bahorek, Stanley E to Rumore, Andrew J and Rumore, Samantha C, 6/28, $605,000

FARMINGTON

Edgewood Ests, Tolla, Robin S and Genereau, Donna J to Slomski, Steven J and Slomski, Mary A, 6/24, $515,000

1 Bedford Ct, Pfinsgraff, Martin L and Pfinsgraff, Sarah C to Reza, Shabbir and Haider, Syeda F, 6/30, $1,400,000

1 Maple Ave, Estrada, Maeshell and Florian, Michele to Mcveigh, Alison A, 6/28, $275,000

3 Willow Ln, Rosano, John L and Rosano, Linda C to Abbott, Brett and Abbott, Anissa, 6/29, $800,000

6 Pearl St, Mullins, Thomas J and Mullins, Kristin K to Lukaszewicz, Michael and Lukaszewicz, Agnieszka, 6/29, $745,000

7 Harvest Ln, Charamut, Marcin S to Giancola, David and Giancola, Julina, 6/27, $360,000

11 Strawfield Rd, S S&K M Levandowski RET and Levandowski, Stephen S to Giaver, Ian and Giaver, Virginia, 6/28, $515,000

14 Walnut Farms Dr, White, Daniel L and White, Sarah C to Barrett Jr, Robert W and Barrett, Kyrsten, 6/27, $425,000

23 Timberline Dr Lot 23, Ottmann, Melinda T to Teka, Michael, 6/23, $344,000

24 Burnt Hill Rd, Gallier-Lee, Joan C to Strongin-Eusko, Olga, 6/30, $520,500

30 Oakland Ave, Oberholtzer, Julianne to Addy, Daniel, 6/28, $325,000

44 Tunxis Vlg Lot 44, Valle, Samuel M and Parets, Suzanne M to Welsh, Nicholas and Miano, Alexa, 6/30, $245,000

45 W Avon Rd, Corlett, Timothy O to Gaski, Lisa, 6/27, $450,000

53 Mallard Dr Lot 53, Dubose Evelyn Est and Harrison, Lisa to Turner, Alice M, 6/29, $151,500

79 Harold Rd, Winalski, Donald E to Elmashad, Ameer Y and Kishk, Zahraa M, 6/30, $365,000

108 Tunxis Vlg Lot 108, Aronson, M Holly to Kamath, Jayesh and Kamath, Minja, 6/29, $370,000

132 Songbird Ln Lot 132, Guerrera 3rd, Francis M to Cyr, Tyler, 6/30, $180,000

132 Songbird Ln Lot 132, Guerrera 3rd, Francis M to Cyr, Tyler, 6/30, $180,000

327 Scott Swamp Rd, USA VA to Fuller, Daniel, 6/28, $285,000

GLASTONBURY

Main St, Macdonald, Douglas to Yandow, Thomas and Yandow, Patricia, 6/30, $74,000

2 Boxwood Ln Lot 2, Reynolds, Michael J and Reynolds, Jamie L to Ruggiero, Nicholas R, 6/27, $221,000

7 Quarry Rd, Murugavel, Satish and Murugavel, Abirami to Dacorte, Brian and Kozlik, Madeline, 6/28, $380,000

7 Summersweet Dr Lot 7, Morin, Jessica A to Varadarajan, Ramakrishna and Sampath, Vaishnavi, 6/29, $221,500

7 Willow Brook Dr Lot 7, Andreen, Jean M to Zotaj, Luan and Zotaj, Irida, 6/24, $265,000

8 Stonecress Ln Lot 8, Brink, Tammy M to Padamala, Charan K and Padamala, Aruna, 6/28, $232,500

9 Summersweet Dr Lot 9, Morin, Jessica A to Varadarajan, Ramakrishna and Sampath, Vaishnavi, 6/29, $221,500

16 Princeton Ln, Zodda, Katherine to Kurtz, Thomas M, 6/27, $300,000

18 Periwinkle Ln Lot 18, Weaver, Kathryn M to Iyer, Siva, 6/28, $235,000

21 Hollister Way N Lot 21, Simmons, Richard C to Rottner, Roni, 7/1, $185,000

24 Jonathan Trl, Eastwood, William J and Eastwood, Michelle E to Gbandi, Christopher H and Browning-Gbandi, Crystal, 6/24, $925,000

26 Linden St Lot 26, Ortega, Vilma to Patel, Pratik and Mukunda, Sharda, 6/28, $318,000

27 Bradley Way, Bivona, Thomas J and Bivona, Heidi L to Gupta, Ankit and Narwal, Priya, 6/24, $967,000

28 Hubbard Run Dr Lot 28, Vest, Charles N and Vest, Diane C to Smith Jr, Glenn J and Smith, Rebecca L, 6/29, $270,000

29 Pheasant Xing, Madnick, Allene and Madnick, Marc to Kapil, Ankit and Sharma, Preeti, 6/29, $125,000

32 Hampshire Dr, Hassan, Timothy B and Hassan, Scott E to Simone, Frances A and Simone, Stephen H, 6/27, $474,250

35 Grey Rocks Ct, Caxide, Antonio M and Caxide, Alison G to Handler, Phoebe and Docimo, William, 6/30, $770,000

37 Hillcrest Rd, BBLM Realty Associates to Colon, Geriliz, 6/30, $265,000

39 Pheasant Xing, Madnick, Allene to Kapil, Ankit and Sharma, Preeti, 6/29, $725,000

50 Hollister Way S Lot 50, Susan P Rochford T and Rochford, Susan P to Purcell, Theresa, 6/28, $250,000

64 Bunker Hill Rd, Valentine Mary S Est and Dangelo, Anne V to Desa, Evelyn and Desa, Trung, 6/29, $475,000

66 Jasmine Ln, Cooke, Marjorie A and Cooke, Douglas S to Helt, Mary and Baron, Marc R, 6/30, $745,000

88 Conestoga Way Lot 88, Rozenthal, Tal and Rozenthal, Eneida C to Mahmut, Asiya and Abduqadir, Abliz, 6/24, $333,000

97 Benton Ln, Wang, Jiang to Skeens, Mitchell and Skeens, Mallon, 6/29, $279,900

180 Shoddy Mill Rd, Gaillard, Tristram to Guzzardi, Nicole L, 6/28, $420,000

222 Williams St E Lot 215, Prokop, Joseph E and Prokop, Filomena S to Lakefront Lifestyle LLC, 6/24, $114,000

280 Matson Hill Rd, Rose, Sandra J to Gondek, Paul, 6/30, $910,000

300 Matson Hill Rd, Rose, Sandra J to Gondek, Paul, 6/30, $910,000

572 Manchester Rd, Cofiell, Kristen L to Danco, Stephen and Danco, Janna, 6/28, $450,000

GRANBY

2 Birchwood Dr, Samplatsky, Darren J and Samplatsky, Amy G to Goodsell, Andrew, 6/27, $485,000

13 Cranberry Ln, Lapointe, Kent F and Lapointe, Sarah M to Mcswain, Winston A, 6/30, $399,900

24 Meadowbrook Rd, Janeski, Peter and Janeski, Barbara to Lamendola, Charles S and Downes, Laura E, 6/30, $279,900

61 Windmill Dr, Kyle FT and Kyle, Joan M to Smith, Patrick A, 6/28, $215,500

86 Granville Rd, Kesecker, Stefanie K and Raine, Danielle L to Olson, Matthew T and Sandman, Molly, 6/28, $381,500

GREENWICH

Schubert Ln, Catalano, Barbara A to Roa Thor Holdings LLC, 6/30, $960,000

2 Putnam Hl Lot 2A, Duffy, Jean M to Eleanor A Lorig RET and Lorig, Eleanor A, 7/1, $415,000

3 N Stanwich Rd, Rodriguez-Perez, Carlo J and Stockwell, Jeffrey L to Koulajian, Nigol, 7/1, $6,525,000

6 Greenwich Cove Dr, Ellenthal, Ira and Ellenthal, Judith to Vangeloven, Bouk, 6/28, $4,100,000

7 Little Cove Ln, Cagnoni FT and Cagnoni, Pablo J to Brickman, Maura, 7/1, $7,005,000

8 Glendale St, Anderson, Glenn B and Nolan, Jane to Goad, Alicia A and Goad, Kerry M, 6/29, $1,825,000

14 Surrey Dr, Korsun, Dmitry and Korsun, Nelly to Wang, Yue, 6/30, $1,165,000

15 Sawmill Ln, Sawmill Lane LLC to Thrope, Erin and Thrope, Jason, 7/1, $1,400,000

22 Glen Rd, Hughes, Alexandra W and Maloney, David W to Lynch, Ashley G and Lynch, Jamison N, 6/27, $3,105,000

32 Alpine Rd, Blumberg, Amy T and Blumberg, David M to Fryd, Brian and Fryd, Rachel, 6/29, $2,726,000

33 Revere Rd, Barefoot, Kathleen A and Barefoot, R S to Hirsch, Rodolfo G, 6/29, $2,050,000

46 Club Rd, DMP Home LLC to 46 Club Road T, 6/29, $3,549,000

48 Old Mill Rd, MTGLQ Investors LP to Clemenza, Danielle, 7/1, $2,075,000

49 Doubling Rd, Donatella Genazzani RET and Genazzani, Donatella to Gimbert, Christopher and Gimbert, Genevieve, 6/27, $5,750,000

52 Lafayette Pl Lot 4G, Nationstar Mortgage LLC to Xhekaj, Lorenta and Xhekaj, Sheribane, 6/29, $515,000

75 Pecksland Rd, Camille W Broadbent QPRT and Broadbent, Camille W to Bakrow, Jannell and Bakrow, Lance, 7/1, $2,500,000

89 Hendrie Ave, Cliffe Dwellings 3 LLC to Huang-Lionnet, Julie and Lionnet, Philippe, 7/1, $1,850,000

92 Indian Field Rd, Motay, David to Muldoon, Timothy and Zeppelin, Amy, 6/28, $865,000

249 Riverside Ave, Cook, Cheryl C and Cook, William M to Robinson, Matthew M and Robinson, Sarah S, 7/1, $3,805,000

290 Riverside Ave, Krsticevic, Ivan to Mehlman, Diana, 6/28, $4,235,000

397 Davis Ave, Johann, Barbara A to Moses, Carol and Moses, Douglas, 6/28, $1,539,000

736 Lake Ave, Imma Properties LLC to Huerta, Jon and Huerta, Shabnam, 6/28, $4,592,500

1465 E Putnam Ave Lot 309, Coyne, Meghan to Leon, Judit J and Leon, Ricardo S, 6/29, $455,000

GRISWOLD

113 Old Voluntown Rd, Ciccone, Steven A and Ciccone, Arleen A to Ciccone, Caleb H and Ciccone, Jessica J, 6/30, $306,250

GROTON

19 Walter Fish Ave, Brown, Stephen P to Wood, Stephen D and Wood, Debra A, 6/28, $646,200

48 Pequot Ave, Stockwell, Ronald E to Morgan, Chelsea and Morgan, Steven, 6/27, $700,000

49 Chapman St, Masalin, David E to Baller, Kathryn V, 6/27, $276,000

GUILFORD

Wood Dr, Berghel, David E and Berghel, April A to Leavens, Merrill and Leavens, Holly, 6/29, $537,500

3 Finch Ln, Rastetter, Rebecca to Townsend, Steven and Townsend, Cynthia, 6/29, $650,000

11 Laurel Cliffs Rd, Orlando, David R and Orlando, Jeanne H to Eastwood, Wesley and Eastwood, Nicole, 6/29, $880,000

23 Davis Dr, Locke, Suzanne G to Toreges LLC, 6/30, $450,000

66 High St Lot 37, Bernard, Carolyn and Bernard, Craig to Robinson, Rebecca, 6/28, $1,350,000

107 Foxwood Rd S, Tamulis, Karen and Tamulis, Walter to Mooney, Derek W, 6/29, $486,000

379 Whitfield St Lot CS1136, Suchy, Wayne to 3 Sachems LLC, 6/30, $27,000

HADDAM

27 Soobitsky Rd, Soobitsky, Margie and Soobitksy, Sy P to Niro 3rd, Peter, 6/28, $525,000

HAMPTON

218 Main St, Hammon, Johnny L and Hammon, Danielle F to Yoder, Catherine, 6/30, $233,050

HARTFORD

CT T Hanger Condo Lot 13, Silvester Sr, Michael J to Small, Howard, 6/28, $40,000

2-4 Clay St, Pancas Services LLC to King, April N and King, Gladys M, 6/28, $220,000

29 Mather St, Reid, Romaine to Leslie, Youshaima, 6/27, $305,000

30 Woodland St Lot 5J, Oliveras, Diane to Francis, Yvonne and Francis, Walter, 6/28, $72,000

30 Woodland St Lot 4C, Lewandowski, Charisse to Schiavone, Frank, 6/28, $65,000

31 Woodland St Lot 11T, Blackman, Ghita W to Zareski, Joseph D, 6/27, $85,000

39 Sequin St, Dhereaux, Jason R and Dhereaux, Jinnel M to Powell, Pishon A and Rosado, Reinalees, 6/28, $265,000

44 Chester St, Ruiz, Alberto to Palomino, Susana, 6/28, $90,000

46-48 Campfield Ave, Arduiz Sr, Jose to Joseph, John F, 7/1, $278,000

48-50 Grand St, Santiago, Silvia A and Diaz, Pedro S to CT Grand LLC, 6/27, $229,000

51 Mountford St, Ericson, William R to Elguera, Wilmer G, 6/27, $268,000

52-54 Campfield Ave, Arduiz Sr, Jose to Joseph, John F, 7/1, $278,000

54 Harbison Ave, Naim, Yoram B to Williams, Dressa, 6/28, $342,000

58 Buckingham St Lot A, Gale, Jonn Q and Gale, Tracy T to Mama, Rahim S, 7/1, $120,000

60 Humphrey St, Clemente, Maria A to Willis, Kewan J, 7/1, $240,000

67 Branford St, Hightower Jr, Gregory to Demorcy, Marie, 7/1, $206,000

80 Orange St, Hartford W End LLC to Stark Enterprise LLC, 6/30, $1,787,750

82-84 Rowe Ave, Hartford W End LLC to 82 Rowe Ave LLC, 6/30, $462,250

83-85 Humphrey St, Piazza, Joann to Rosario-Acosta, Raul Y and Martinez-Lugo, Yessica A, 7/1, $300,000

86 Chadwick Ave, Hartford W End LLC to Stark Enterprise LLC, 6/30, $1,787,750

101 Morningside St W, T&H Assn LLC to Foster, Shana Y, 6/28, $229,000

118 Harold St, Mims, Cynthia A to Greaves, Lorraine and Stone, Elaine, 6/29, $200,000

125-127 Magnolia St, Gayle, Uriel to Albany&Gilbert Ave LLC, 6/28, $260,000

127-129 Madison Ave, Barrera, Chickey to Gaetano, David, 6/30, $85,000

127-129 Madison Ave Lot 16, Phillips Elizabeth A Est and Barrera, Chickey to Phillips Elizabeth A Est and Gaetano, Davb, 6/30, $85,000

127-129 Madison Ave, Ruben Mendoza LT and Mendoza, Ruben to Peers&Co LLC, 7/1, $100,000

154-156 Middlefield St, 2 Family Ct Middlefield to Davidson, Gerald A, 6/30, $185,000

184-186 Ward St, Hartford 184 LLC to 184 Ward LLC, 6/30, $310,000

200 Bonner St, Ecogreenrealty LLC to Collado-Minaya, Yngrrid M, 7/1, $140,000

200 Newbury St, Adams, James to Grados, Alex L, 6/28, $176,000

305-307 Sargeant St, Dixon, Audrey to Ashley, Rashima V, 6/24, $270,000

454 W Preston St, Dalusme, Enock to Taylor, Courtney, 6/29, $205,000

821 Capitol Ave, Hartford W End LLC to Stark Enterprise LLC, 6/30, $1,787,750

1020 Prospect Ave, Morast, Anna G and Wade Jr, Walter W to Herlihy, Michael W, 6/30, $1,130,000

HARTLAND

41 Old Town Rd, Bourbeau, Dianne L to Bourque, Kevin R and Bourque, Amy K, 6/27, $75,000

HARWINTON

113 Catlin Rd, Keith, James and Keith, Geriann to Gonzalez-Ocana, Jaime and Amussen, Kimberly, 6/28, $285,000

156 Swimming Hole Rd, Nardi, David B and Nardi, Joanne R to Nardi-Cyrus, Stephanie M and Nardi-Cyrus, Nathaniel G, 6/27, $250,000

HEBRON

Hardy Rd, Utt, Nancy R to Rapp, Stuart E, 7/1, $62,500

20 Wellswood Rd, Collee Properties LLC to Coventry Rentals LLC, 7/1, $475,000

50 Main St, Fenn Realty LLC to Dal Investments LLC, 6/28, $850,000

51 Ames Rd, 4S LLC to Coyle, James T and Coyle, Linda, 6/30, $289,900

54 Main St, Fenn Realty LLC to Dal Investments LLC, 6/28, $850,000

65 Main St, Pineapple Intersect LLC to TGNK LLC, 7/1, $540,000

290 Old Colchester Rd, Old Col LLC to Coventry Rentals LLC, 7/1, $450,000

497 W Main St, Bradley, Colleen C to Coventry Rentals LLC, 7/1, $395,000

KILLINGLY

10 Kies Rd, Tyrrell, Torrey N to Smith, Joel D and Smith, Meriam K, 6/30, $532,000

37 Cardinal Dr, Guimont Jr, Armand E and America, Alison to Weinhardt, Robert and Weinhardt, Sindy E, 6/24, $444,000

72 River Rd, Lathrop, William F and Lathrop, Christina L to Hoffman, Andre, 6/28, $434,000

117 Cottage St, Thuotte, Jennifer G to Whitney, Tara L, 6/28, $305,000

162 Bear Hill Rd, Johnson, Timothy and Johnson, Dawn M to Gervais, Derek M and Tessier, Amanda, 6/29, $475,000

168 Chestnut Hill Rd, Carr, Marianne E to Arsenault, Crystal and Benoit, Pamela, 6/27, $427,500

216 Mechanic St, Steele, Richard N and Steele, Bonnie S to Hernandez, Nathaniel and Minera, Ashly, 6/27, $245,000

420 Putnam Pike, Ria&Kate LLC to Caron, Scott and Caron, Antonia, 6/30, $253,000

KILLINGWORTH

2 Blueberry Hill Reserve, Obymachow, Richard M and Obymachiw, Linda C to Grass, Tucker E and Regan, Alexsis K, 6/28, $625,000

19 Cow Pen Hill Rd, Filosi, Denise L and Filosi, James M to Varga, Andrew R and Varga, Sheila Q, 7/1, $835,000

100 Roast Meat Hill Rd, Spaziante, Joseph W and Spaziante, Marciann to Liva, Enrico P, 7/1, $815,000

921 Route 148, Bohndorf, Kathy A to Dudley, Evan T and Dudley, Joan M, 6/27, $322,000

LEBANON

Lakeview Hts, Garrett, Janet to Smith, Christopher I and Smith, Erin P, 6/30, $62,500

14 Olenick Rd, Lenkiewicz Const Co LLC and Lenkiewicz, David T to Johnson, Amanda L and Johnson, Brandon M, 6/28, $638,423

39 Ryan Ter, Wallace, Christopher and Wallace, Cynthia to Gutowski, James and Gutowski, Sharon, 7/1, $199,900

70 Park Rd, Ostrager, Barry R to Parker, Noah R, 7/1, $220,000

818 Goshen Hill Rd, Parrow Alexander J Jr Est and Parrow, Neal to Integrity Properties LLC, 6/30, $375,000

LEDYARD

4 Ash Dr, Omalley 3rd, Patrick J to Roarabaugh, Lauren and Roarabaugh, Eric, 6/22, $350,000

4 Cranwood Rd, Sattler Jr, Douglas R and Sattler, Jessica to Innerst, Cassandra L and Innerst, Joseph C, 6/30, $481,000

9 Marla Ave, Cruz, John D and Cruz, Deborah A to Smith, Brian, 6/21, $230,000

12 Melanie Ln, Hutchins, Richard S and Hutchins, Kelly D to BGRS Relocation Inc, 6/30, $500,000

12 Melanie Ln, BGRS Relocation Inc to Menard, Thomas A and Paradis, Michelle, 6/30, $500,000

16 Quakertown Mdws, Green Falls Associates to Signorello Matarazzo T and Signorello, Rozanne, 6/30, $466,000

18 Chidley Way, R&N Holdings Co LLC to Roy, Courtney B, 6/21, $85,000

21 Quakertown Mdws, Green Falls Associates to Lickwola, Charles A and Tessitore, Lisa J, 6/30, $100,000

23 Center Dr, Johnson, Bobbie and Johnson, Jared to Conway, Tyler E, 6/30, $349,900

24 Quakertown Mdws, Green Falls Associates to Patel, Hetalkumari and Patel, Khevna, 6/22, $460,000

32 Stoddards Wharf Rd, Williams, Sarah M to Markle Jr, Andrew J and Markle, Tracy L, 6/28, $340,000

58 Avery Hill Rd, Miller, Mark A to Clauson, Romona L, 6/28, $270,000

69 Stoddards Wharf Rd, Baudro, Mace A and Baudro, Jacquelyn A to Dray, Travis and Gray, Destiny, 6/27, $274,000

75 Meeting House Ln, Callanan, Conchita D to Clover Real Estate LLC, 6/21, $170,000

LISBON

48 Barber Farm Rd, Herget, Jackson F and Pellowski, Jennifer A to Fontaine, Brendan C and Fontaine, Marissa, 6/27, $412,000

65 Town House Rd, My Mansions LLC to Stuart, Tessa L and Guliani, Rudolph A, 6/27, $295,000

316 S Burnham Hwy, Salvemini, Anthony J and Salvemini, Coleen A to Burns, Kevin E and Burns, Paula J, 6/27, $355,000

LITCHFIELD

29 Old Northfield Rd, Waterhouse, Ellen M to Delvecchio, John and Delvecchio, Katherine, 6/29, $450,000

49 Goodhouse Rd, Ebrahimi, Bernard to Kallgren, Ian H, 6/29, $350,000

214 E Litchfield Rd, Bennett, Corinne T to Martin FT, 6/30, $2,195,000

332 Torrington Rd, Fenn, Sarah K to Herring, Thomas P and Herring, Wendy D, 6/27, $429,999

MADISON

15 Centre Village Dr Lot 15, Goldstein, Robert E and Goldstein, Gerard to Nesi, Jill, 6/30, $380,000

28 Hidden Springs Rd, Miller, Michael B and Delahanty, Anne C to Donahue 3rd, Robert and Dagostino, Michael, 6/27, $810,000

43 Kachina Way, Pan, Zenggang and Wang, Xiaojian to Augert, Arnaud A and Wen-Augert, Asia Q, 6/30, $940,000

47 Sportsman Hill Rd, Dickens, Noel and Dickens, Amber to Nemes, Ryan and Bernardo, Allison, 6/28, $730,000

92 Sportsman Hill Rd, Fogg Ann Est and Fogg, John K to Blekher, Igor and Melamud, Polina, 6/28, $390,000

MANCHESTER

2 Oak Forest Dr Lot 5, Youssef, Medhat to Banks, Csilla, 6/23, $233,175

10 Cheney Ln Lot 10, Pinette Elizabeth Est and Pinette, David to Lofstrom, Barbara, 6/22, $380,000

14 Stephen St, Lutz, Karl J to Chateau, Colin T and Wilkinson, Katie L, 6/27, $320,000

17 Cole St, Goldkamp, James C to Pearce, Eugene D and Pearce, Maria L, 6/29, $330,000

28 Duke Rd, Neubauer, Deneen A to Cauley, Dylan, 6/28, $310,000

39 Yale Dr, Sumberg, David M and Sumberg, Susan L to Mcdowell, Scott and Geen, Megan, 6/27, $415,000

50 Alexander St, Brooks, Jessica to Laabs, Samantha and Gagnon, Tyler, 6/27, $300,000

82 Lydall St, Darling, Heidi to Rich Jr, Philip J, 6/28, $150,000

113 Bayberry Rd, Bayberry Developers LLC to Firestone, Edward and Firestone, Lynn, 6/29, $80,000

118 Tracy Dr, Dubaldo, Dominic to Bonenfant, Paul G and Bonenfant, Frances K, 6/22, $288,500

181 Vernon St, Medhurst, Marcia C to Logan, Kerrilee S, 6/28, $274,900

221 Wells St, Mitchell, Jonathan and Mitchell, Tiana to Carrier, Brittany E, 6/28, $275,000

441 S Main St Lot 21, Wright, Joyce to Myers, Gerald N and Myers, Sue J, 6/29, $251,200

MANSFIELD

19 Westwood Rd, Liu, Lanbo to Le, Justin C and Vien, Kelly D, 6/29, $406,000

32 Higgins Hwy, Gagnon, Christian D and Gagnon, Megan D to Bell, Katherine J, 6/27, $335,000

46 Hillyndale Rd, Horsley, Bryan D to Dematteo, Pasquale S and Angeloff, Rebecca, 6/28, $329,100

111 Courtyard Ln Lot 111, Maroder, Maria to Lavelle, Peter and Tran, Nu Anh, 6/30, $280,000

126 Bundy Ln, Russell, David A and Robinson, Joann L to Houston, Derek M and Houston, Dara F, 6/30, $518,000

222 Warrenville Rd, Sally Reis Renzulli RET and Renzulli, Joseph S to Kelly, Brian D and Kelly, Amy C, 7/1, $625,000

353 N Eagleville Rd, Weiss, Damon and Brissette, Luke to Mcgill, Keaton A, 6/27, $285,000

477 Storrs Rd, Lacy, Benjamin to Raggi, Anthony L and Raggi, Brianna, 6/30, $250,000

503 Storrs Rd, Suitor, Margaret D to Gozzo Jr, Mauro P, 6/28, $260,000

MARLBOROUGH

Keirstead Trl, Shepard, Scott J to Shepard, Wade A and Shepard, Karin J, 6/29, $70,000

3 Beverly Ln, Hite, Jeremy P and Auguste, Marisa to Rovetti, Jennifer and Channegowda, Parikshith, 6/29, $426,000

80 Hebron Rd, Mitchell Family LT and Mitchell, Jeffrey P to Eichmiller, Brianne and Eichmiller, Barry, 6/27, $312,000

107 West Rd, Lackey, Lisa M to Nixon, Matthew D and Nixon, Krista L, 6/29, $335,000

112 Chapman Rd, Lafar, Joseph E to Zeisner, Lawrence, 6/27, $269,000

137 Jones Hollow Rd, Ivan, Kimberly A to Lentini, Shane A, 6/30, $400,000

MERIDEN

20 Fair St, Goering, Jeffery R and Montemurro, Lorrie A to Melendez, Naihomy, 6/30, $235,000

39 Britannia St, Jaferi, Asif R to Rios, Marcelo, 6/27, $257,000

69 Morse St, Preira, Matthew to Martinez, Christian, 6/29, $330,000

71 Yale St, Glenstone Dev P1 LLC to TRDM LLC, 7/1, $195,000

75 Hamilton St, Barchewski, John M and Barchewski, Maria I to Collins, Marlyn and Gandy, Anthony, 7/1, $280,000

76 Valley View Dr, Trawick, Amber to Parisi, Melinda, 7/1, $325,000

77 Mattabasset Dr Lot 77, 140 Thompson St 7A LLC to Rodriguez, Yolanda R, 6/29, $152,000

90 Fowler Ave, Dematteo, Lisa A to Reynolds, Richard, 6/29, $223,000

93 Piedmont St, Sarno, Tyler M and Sarno, Jennifer C to Edwards, Joseph F, 7/1, $265,000

100 Stoneycrest Dr, Hunt, Kenneth J to Fiallos, Edwin P, 6/29, $300,000

137 Rolling Hills Dr, Alcarez, A Patrick and Alcarez, Ellen D to Gashi, Blendi and Gashi, Nexhmedin, 6/29, $475,000

158 Paddock Ave Lot 1103, Quirk, Elwyn T and Quirk, Andrew J to Hall, Megan E, 7/1, $190,000

200 Cartpath Dr, Matos-Morales, Xavier and Cruz, Stephanoe M to Vargas, Stephanie R, 6/29, $260,000

201 Wall St, Hardin, Katherine to Vessichio, Michael, 6/27, $195,000

219 S Broad St Lot N212, Rhee, Young to Zdunek, Aldona and Zdunek, Slawomir, 6/27, $105,000

390 Center St, Z&R Properties LLC to Chicayza-Fernandez, Gloria, 6/30, $275,000

404 Blackstone Vlg Lot 404, Martin, Paul J to Parzynsko, Mark and Parzynski, Tatiana, 6/29, $103,000

462 Paddock Ave, Roberts, David A to Bentley, Scott M, 6/27, $282,000

520 Murdock Ave, Baudis, Elisabeth and Hurst, Kristian to Pathania, Maridula and Pathania, Kelly, 6/30, $350,000

533 Paddock Ave, Gryga-Daddio, Paula A to Therlautt, Rebekah, 7/1, $283,428

553 E Main St, Webster, Elizabeth to Castelan Properties LLC, 6/30, $155,000

666 Broad St Lot 4, Manos, Kiriaki to Blair, Xiaohui, 6/28, $104,900

690 North Colony Rd, Parenteau, Amy M to Kalisz, Kyle J, 6/29, $160,000

MIDDLEBURY

Regan Rd, Theroux, David R to MDG Middlebury LLC, 6/28, $550,000

16 Independence Cir Lot 16, Rahman, Syed M and Rahman, Shahina to Christensen, Andrew and Rossetti, Ashley L, 6/28, $662,500

27 Winding Trl Lot 27, Kim, Jin and Yu, Ann Y to Decamp, Christopher and Decamp, Patricia, 6/30, $475,000

61 Sandy Hill Rd, Vaughan, Nancy D to Andrea, Robert A, 6/29, $385,000

426 Tranquility Rd, Wiley, Caleb D and Wiley, Claire E to Buckens, Leigh and Buckens, Katherine S, 6/28, $675,000

614 Watertown Rd, Mcgaughan, Michael J and Mcgaughan, Susan S to Mcgaughan, Lauren A and Morosky, Jason D, 6/29, $300,000

MIDDLEFIELD

7 Reeds Gap Rd, Knight, Herbert and Millen, Jewel to Adamo, Mathew and Adamo, Jami, 6/28, $900,000

12 Wildwood Acres, Youngs, David P to Giroux, David and Giroux, Robin, 6/28, $265,000

27 Strawberry Ln, Trombetta, Sarah J to Giordano, Michael N, 6/27, $819,000

MIDDLETOWN

Middle St, Rambis, Susan to Fragomeni, Domenico and Trzaska, Jadwiga, 6/27, $10,000

6 Kent Ct, Cronin, Michael W and Cronin, Kara E to Sterling, Whitney, 6/27, $255,000

8 Bystrek Dr, Collin W Hager RET and Hager, Collin W to Murray, Donald and Grady-Murray, Aleshia N, 6/27, $380,000

16 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 16, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

17 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 17, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

20 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 20, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

44 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 44, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

46 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 46, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

94 Knoll Ridge Ct, Chintapalli RET and Chintapalli, Vamsi K to Nguyen, Cindy, 6/28, $599,900

135 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 135, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

152 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 152, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

182 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 182, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

220 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 220, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

230 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 230, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

232 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 232, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

245 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 245, Green Hill Capital 2 LLC to AM Square LLC, 6/28, $1,075,000

751 Long Hill Rd, Ponshock, Allegra to Scarrozzo, Kevin M and Scarrozzo, Rosalie K, 6/28, $192,500

MILFORD

3 Datura Ave, Alicki, Joseph and Viscuso, Gianni to Hughes, Jessica, 6/27, $371,000

10 Cornflower Dr, Casas Jr, Efren to Mcgann, Jenna L and Mcgann, Andrew, 6/27, $367,000

24 Davenport Ave, Miller, Jared and Miller, Nicole to Oswalt, Michelle, 6/27, $620,000

24 Nells Rd,

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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Associates LLC, 6/29, $250,000

NEW MILFORD

2 Pine Ln, Merkel, Stephen C to Salazar, Vanessa H and Salazar, Martha L, 6/30, $445,000

3 Old State Rd, Eze Rental Inc to Giron RE Investments LLC, 6/27, $140,000

14 Mountain Dr, Beatty, Michael to Cunningham, Brian and Cunningham, Leslie, 6/27, $1,437,500

21 Park Ln E, Saharek Donald W Est and Foss 2nd, Michael to Bennett, William and Strempski, Olivia, 6/30, $300,000

35 Canterbury Arms Lot 35, Oarethu, Jacob T and Kanjiravilyil, Jessica to Henderson, Stephen A and Henderson, Walkiria L, 6/30, $165,000

45 Legion Rd, Stauder, Nicholas and Stauder, Sabrina to Heck, Erik, 6/28, $800,000

90 Town Farm Rd, Magin, William J and Magin, Jennifer J to Nunez, Dulce A and Justo, Ana, 6/29, $625,000

241 Danbury Rd, Eze Rental Inc to Giron RE Investments LLC, 6/27, $350,000

459 Danbury Rd, Real Law LLC to Jansen, Lori, 6/28, $239,900

NEWINGTON

7 Harlow Dr Lot 7, Mah, Susan to Kae, Soo H and Hyun, Kae S, 6/24, $385,000

16 Harlow Dr Lot 16, Smith, Susan A and Smith, Michael L to Chandu, Babitha P, 6/24, $403,000

20 Crown Rdg Lot 20, Collette, Jeffrey J to Heslin, Alexandra M, 6/24, $213,000

54 Steeplechase Dr Lot 54, Marie M Spivey FT and Spivey, Marie M to Chen, Judy, 6/27, $255,000

68 Dowd St, Bucheri, Robert E to Larochelle, Warren and Larochelle, Jenny, 6/27, $165,000

88 Crown Rdg Lot 88, Noonan, Joanne B to Christensen, Stacy and Veley, Jaye, 6/27, $260,000

90 Sunrise Cir Lot 90, Kolodziejczyk, Steven to Carlone, Antonio, 6/28, $209,900

239 Hampton Ct Lot 239, Schaeffer, Isaac J to Heaton, Patricia, 6/27, $205,000

320 Foxboro Dr Lot 320, Benson Elsie V Est and Eagan, Angela M to Saji, Selca, 6/28, $240,000

339 Hillcrest Ave, Pellegrini Mary A Est and Pellegrini, Gregory M to Nguyen, Khoi, 6/24, $333,000

1600 Main St, Barrett Jr, Robert W and Barrett, Kyrsten to Dorfman, Brandon R, 6/24, $315,000

NEWTOWN

Cornfield Rdg, Corbo Associates Inc to Friedman LT and Friedman, Peter E, 6/30, $954,085

3 Deer Hill Dr, KASL LLC to Mullaney, Michael and Denardo, Melanie, 6/28, $791,825

12 Hoseye Coach Rd, Becker, Robert to Paulsen, James and Paulsen, Kelly, 6/29, $849,000

23 Split Rock Rd, Poupon, Eric to Kirwin, Frederick and Demarco, Liana, 6/30, $679,000

23 Valley View Rd, Roche, Catherine J to Cambra, Dayton G and Cambra, Tara, 6/30, $625,000

24 Canterbury Ln, Mason, Eugene F and Mason, Lisa S to Francis Jr, John S and Francis, Kelly, 6/28, $1,111,000

30 Poverty Hollow Rd, Lally, Maryann D and Lally, Michael F to Reardon, Aaron A and Fox, Kenneth D, 6/29, $670,000

33 Old Bethel Rd, Ledina, David J and Ledina, Pia C to Konthasinghe, Kumarasiri, 6/29, $540,000

141 Boggs Hill Rd, Ciesielski, Kel and Goldberg, Michelle L to Devery, Jeff F and Devery, Mary E, 6/30, $580,000

158 Walnut Tree Hill Rd, Scott Jr, Samuel H to Bolanos, Jennifer and Bartolo, Oscar, 6/28, $460,000

NORTH BRANFORD

24 Sunset Rd, Bertier Elizabeth A Est and Welch, Patrice E to Reagan, Kenneth A and Reagan, Stacey, 6/28, $350,000

35 Montgomery Rd Lot 35, Schioppo, Corinne J and Schioppo, Corrine J to Scott, Karen E, 6/28, $480,000

118 Deepwood Ln, Jan Z Finch LT and Finch, Jan Z to Popoli, Jonathan T and Popoli, Michelle C, 6/30, $465,000

499 Totoket Rd, LP Home Improvements LLC to Snipes, Tasha D and Tisdale, Ben, 6/27, $655,275

NORTH CANAAN

20 Barracks Rd, Fleming, Alan and Fleming, Tammy L to Portillo-Lims, Adolfo A and Flores, Juana M, 6/27, $240,000

NORTH HAVEN

2 Carafa Ter, Jackson, Jason and Jackson, Love to Phuyal, Kapil and Ghimire, Krishna P, 7/1, $485,000

10 Elliot Ct, Fitzgerald, Edward M to Carbone, James A, 6/28, $394,900

20 Bowling Green Dr, Lavorante, Danielle G to Chaplin, Jay W, 6/30, $575,000

24 King Arthur Ct, Sami, Syed R to Pettway, Edward N and Pettway, Jacqueline, 6/28, $532,500

28 Newbury Ct Lot 28, Ral North Haven LLC to Sheth, Abhin and Sheth, Siddhi, 6/30, $430,860

34 Lexington Gdns Lot 34, Robichaud, Roland and Robichaud, Nancy to Chen, Paul, 6/28, $465,000

100 Avalon Haven Dr, Ardenwood Apartments LLC to Ardenwood Hldg LLC, 6/29, $34,750,000

119 Patten Rd, Perrotti, Frank to Westberg, Scott R and Westberg, Priscilla M, 6/27, $418,000

133 Manomet Ave, Goss, Joshua and Tsai-Goss, Feng C to Amanat, Asadullah and Waqar, Hirra, 7/1, $325,000

266 Bassett Rd, Mickolyzck, Joseph R to Rojas, Ashly M, 6/27, $336,000

275 Valley Service Rd, Stillman Road Associates to Gogak LLC, 6/30, $1,100,000

476 Middletown Ave, Rowe Jr, Garland E and Rowe, Niddrie L to Malgrang, Danielle, 6/28, $575,000

1400 Hartford Tpke Lot 21, Amendola, Natalie R to Villano, Florence A, 6/24, $275,000

NORTH STONINGTON

Old Colony Rd, Holliday, Carol L to Strong, David I and Strong, Eric T, 7/1, $140,000

6 Pine Woods Rd, Ryan, Joshua and Ryan, Rachel to Fiorentino, Stephanie, 6/29, $385,000

19-B Providence New London Tpk, Bell, Fonda to Deschamps, Jacquelyn, 7/1, $150,000

81 Cedars Rd, Callanan, Amy to Appleton, Christopher and Appleton, Brittany, 6/29, $152,500

107 Clarks Falls Rd, Palmer, John P to Clarks Falls Grist Mill, 7/1, $90,000

170 Cossaduck Hill Rd, Zappe, Dolores F and Barber, Ana B to Diiorio, David A and Jones, Stacy M, 6/30, $322,000

308 NW Corner Rd, Malvar, Thomas M and Malvar, Tracey E to Berkitt, Johnephan and Berkitt, Kimberlie J, 6/27, $380,000

NORWALK

Fairfield Park, Prizio Nancy C Est and Rubino, Michael to Crypto Life LLC, 6/23, $103,667

Fairfield Park, Prizio Angelo T Est and Marafiote, Patcy D to Crypto Life LLC, 6/23, $207,333

1 Blue Mountain Ct Lot 1, Duggan, Lisa J to Fazio, Carmelo and Fazio, Shamala P, 6/21, $1,062,500

3 Seir Hill Rd Lot E5, Liosatos, Martha to Haas, Liliana and Haas, Jason, 6/27, $255,000

3 Silvermine Trl, JDM Yew LLC to Lautenbach, John B and Lautenbach, Denise K, 6/27, $1,250,000

5 Nash Pl, Mazariegos, Feliciano and Mazariegos, Brenda to Content, Nada and Jean, Evens, 6/23, $615,000

6 Steeple Top Rd, Ofer, Jill and Zybert, Edmund to Christie, Eric and Garrahan, Rachel, 6/24, $824,000

7 Mayflower Rd, Buffa, Jeannette S and Roy, William to Castle, David and Castle, Elizabeth, 6/23, $677,000

8 Oakwood Ave Lot A10, Bortei-Doku, Diana B to Bonifati, Christopher J and Galvin, Hope M, 6/27, $340,000

8 Silvermine Ave Lot 1, Briggs, Sarah K and Briggs, Amy B to Bendish, Lynn D, 6/24, $328,500

10 Olean St, Mcdade, Michael to Ruiz-esparza, Omar and Resparza, Nancy, 6/21, $510,000

19 Crockett St, Olson, Tara N to Coviello, John and Coviello, Jenna H, 6/22, $3,650,000

22 Duck Pond Rd, Murray, Andrew J and Murray, Julie V to Braeuer, Denis P and Braeuer, Chrystelle L, 6/24, $1,300,000

25 Hillwood Pl, Gold, Meredith L to Lurwak, Nita, 6/24, $665,000

27 Strathmore Ln Lot 27, Rose, Doloris to Sharon C Goldstein RET and Goldstein, Sharon C, 6/22, $525,000

29 Devils Garden Rd, Scofield, Daniel H and Scofield, Cynthia D to Mieszkowicz, Pawel and Mieszkowicz, Joanna, 6/22, $540,000

33 N Water St Lot 703, Rains, Charles E and Rains, Elizabeth B to Prevost, Sheilah, 6/27, $550,000

35 Scribner Ave, Renna, Dorothy F to Maldonado, Reinaldo L and Maldonao, Elvia S, 6/23, $566,000

42 S Main St Lot 102, Minieri, Brett E to Devito, Marissa, 6/27, $408,500

48-1/2 Elmwood Ave Lot D, Dudas, James R to Rutka-Padilla, Allison, 6/27, $395,000

50 Aiken St Lot 244, Herman, Daniel C to Brandman, Kim, 6/21, $320,000

97 Richards Ave Lot D11, Prabhu, Gipinath and Sandepogu, Lakshami S to Mallards Landing D11 LLC, 6/22, $325,000

126 Washington St Lot 303, Harnett, Tyler J and Harnett, Julia L to Lin, Yi J, 6/21, $295,000

135 N Taylor Ave, Regis, Marie to Aguilar-Garcia, Ofelia A and Martinez, Caros, 6/23, $440,000

148 W Norwalk Rd, De Chavez, Maritza G to Lemus-Duarte, Darvin A, 6/24, $930,000

243 Westport Ave Lot 243, Gorski, Bozena to Topi Realty LLC, 6/24, $220,000

272 Newtown Ave, Surges, Corinne and Van De Wynckel, Erik to Bond-Leong, Albert D and Lawyer, Jessica A, 6/21, $660,000

292 Fillow St, Arnold, Roy and Arnold, Carolyn to Orlikoff, Jennifer E and Orlikoff, Robert F, 6/23, $1,250,000

NORWICH

2 Dellwood Rd, Adkins, Kennith D to Adkison, Justin, 6/29, $325,000

16 Homewood Pl, O J&F J Rondeau T and Rondeau, Michael J to Barker, Drew, 6/29, $246,900

17 County Fair Rd, USA HUD to Woodhall, Candace M, 6/28, $170,300

26 Greene Ave Lot A6, Cassidy, Valerie L to Stpierre, Kyle, 6/28, $91,000

27 Mckinley Ave, Sunshine Houses LLC to TT Investments LLC, 6/30, $118,000

38 Ox Hill Rd, Bealmear, Jeffrey to Blevins, James and Blevins, Jarai, 6/29, $411,000

39 Adams Dr, Zenowitz, Gary and Zenowitz, Joanne to Morrissey Enterprises LLC, 6/30, $225,000

64 10th St, Huang, Shu J and Tan, Seng C to Morales, Amelia E and Jauregui-Segundino, S R, 6/30, $99,000

68 Thermos Ave Lot 323C, Blais, Christopher to Kale, Chanda and Kale, Najwa, 6/30, $149,000

77 Taftville Occum Rd, David Kang Prop LLC to Siow, Steven and Liu, Hua Z, 6/30, $173,000

85 Lambert Dr, Pearson, Jonathan R to Dahl, Eric S and Weisgerber, Crystal M, 6/27, $215,000

146 Briar Ln Lot 146, Holeman, Andrew J to Dooley, Deborah and Dooley, Thomas, 6/30, $245,000

171 Briar Ln Lot 171, Ng, Jessica M and Man, Stephen to Grimason, Diane, 6/28, $250,000

OLD LYME

4 White Farm Ln, Hamrick, Joan N to Joan Christina Sharp RET and Sharp, Joan C, 6/24, $965,000

10 Portland Ave, Yankee, Colin J and Yankee, Nancy M to Eberle, Stephen A and Eberle, Alexandra L, 6/28, $275,000

18 Hefflon Farm Rd, Estep, Lois N to Berke, Devin P, 6/30, $476,000

29-A Rowland Rd, Donnelly, Christopher and Donnelly, Joyce to Mcdavitt, Daniel and Mcdavitt, Jenika, 6/27, $647,500

150 Mile Creek Rd, Jennie A Rubera RET and Rubera, Nancy to White, Elliot J and Hanson, Paige A, 7/1, $550,000

OLD SAYBROOK

N/A, Richard B Rosenthal RET and Rosenthal, Richard B to Richard B Rosenthal IRT and Polidoro, Monique R, 6/29, $3,800,000

3 Pequot Trl, Roberts, Selena to Demers, Andrew E and Demers, Jillian M, 7/1, $925,000

5 Hill Rd, Hill Donald S Est and Hill, Donald L to Mauhs 3rd, Karl and Adams, Emily, 6/28, $556,500

5 Uncas Trl, Audrey J Fulcher 2008 RET and Messick, Daphne J to Serksnas, Paul S and Serksnas, Kimberly, 7/1, $425,000

8 N Meadow Rd, Grillo, Chelsea to Bee 3rd, John M and Bee, Christine M, 7/1, $435,000

17 Old South Cove Rd, Guthrie, Douglas R to Bauer, Richard and Guillen, Marissa S, 6/30, $850,000

18 Anchorage Ln, Gertrude Schmitt Horan T and Schmitt-Horan, Gertrude to Johnnston Jr, James J, 7/1, $150,000

29 Gates Rd, Shaw FT and Shaw, David C to Porcaro, Leighann and Porcaro, James, 6/30, $675,000

44 Saltaire Dr, Walsh, Michael to Fry, Thomas C and Fry, Courtney D, 7/1, $1,425,000

460 Middlesex Tpke, Gargano 3rd, G Michael and Gargano, Julie A to Litka, Karl and Frazier, Brian C, 6/29, $459,000

ORANGE

33 Lakeside Dr Lot 21, Oak Tree Development LLC to Mcdermott, Margaret, 6/29, $413,280

322 Pine Tree Dr, Cohen Marilyn G Est and Cohen, Edward to Flynn, Christian and Hoffman, Rebecka, 6/30, $535,000

408 Northwood Dr, Mirto, Robert C to Chen, Judy and Eng, Benjamin, 6/30, $700,000

518 Marble Rd, Salzburg, Alona to Mathur, Sameer and Mathur, Sakshi, 6/27, $545,000

OXFORD

Quaker Farms Rd, Rose, Mary E to Franco, Gary, 6/27, $265,000

23 Lake Dr, Savino, Rocco and Savino, Lydia to Bryan, Benjamin and Bryan, Erika, 6/27, $560,000

52 Charter Oak Dr, Aiello, Michael J to Diresta, Peter and Diresta, Alexandra, 6/28, $475,000

83 Riggs St, Ciocca, Anthony J and Ciocca, Antonio J to Grenus, Linda C, 6/22, $405,000

253 Riggs St, Kirwin, Frederick and Demarco, Liana to Ruscoe, Zachary and Digiacomo, Gianna, 6/27, $425,000

507 Heatherwood Ct Lot 507, Vanarsdale Jr, John H and Vanarsdale, Susan to Maskowski, Mary J, 6/28, $530,000

728 Oxford Rd, Allen, David B and Allen, Mary A to Brace, Danielle and Pareja, Steven C, 6/28, $460,000

PLAINFIELD

2-4 Talbot Ave, Cranbrook LLC to Misunas, Jesse, 6/28, $269,900

6-12 Grove St, Tyler, Damon and Tyler, Teresa to Chu, John, 6/27, $260,000

30 Pinecrest Dr, Lawton-Guari, Hannah to Ramsey, Ira J, 6/27, $280,000

32 Highland St Ext, Mallozzi, Samantha R to Ira Financial T Co and Breault, Rhonda, 6/27, $250,000

34 Collelo Ave, Bujak, Basel to Williams, Brittany, 6/30, $237,500

44-46 Railroad Ave, Fortin, Robert S to 44 Railroad LLC, 6/30, $285,000

60 Major Dr, Beechwood Properties LLC to Deluca, Eric, 6/27, $225,000

106 E Shepard Hill Rd, L Etoile Vivian G Est and Letoile, Judy M to Guzman, Thomas C, 6/27, $242,000

179-181 Prospect St, Chartier, Brian R and Chartier, Brandie A to Deschamps, Michael A, 6/27, $220,000

PLAINVILLE

Neal Ct, Rogers, Cynthia to JDP Holdings LLC, 6/27, $40,000

38 Northampton Ln Lot 38, Schlesinger, Marshal to Betterini, Patrick and Betterini, Wendy, 6/30, $165,000

54 Maria Rd, Boltromiejuk, Teresa to Mirando, Christen, 6/30, $400,000

127 Milford St Ext Lot B1, Karon, Anna to Ammouri, Aya E, 7/1, $135,000

PLYMOUTH

9 Hillside Ave, Cook 2nd, Gregory W and Cook, Tammy M to Whitfield, Charles and Whitfield, Dyniesha, 6/29, $275,000

9 Joseph St, Aubin, Velma to Iles, Scott and Kasputis, Mallory, 6/27, $209,000

24 North St, Downes, Jenna M to Tarara-Willbanks, A M, 6/29, $340,000

29 Lassy Ct Lot 14, Plymouth Town Of to Infinity Holdings Co LLC, 6/30, $79,000

30 Seymour Rd Lot H5, Layton, Jacob and Fasino, Kaitlin to Ringsted, Melissa M, 6/27, $144,880

84 Kearney St, Rodriguez, Ariana to Concepcion, Thaymara C, 6/28, $286,000

123 Harwinton Ave, Scholl, Scott A and Francis, Jessica A to Pellettier, Bryan R, 6/30, $263,700

150 Town Hill Rd, Plourde, Marilyn to JJ&KW Investments LLC, 6/30, $40,000

187 S Main St, Dellorfano, James D to Lange, Douglas P and Palmer, Allison, 6/30, $284,900

POMFRET

51 Longmeadow Dr, Dalton, Daryl L and Dalton, Courtney J to Tagliatela, Marisa and Tagliatela, Christopher, 6/30, $510,000

781 Hampton Rd, Allegra-Babcock, Patty A to Dyer, Nicholas and Dyer, Arianna, 6/28, $20,000

785 Hampton Rd, Allegra-Babcock, Patty A to Dyer, Nicholas and Dyer, Arianna, 6/28, $20,000

PORTLAND

Rose Hill Rd, Raza, Syed D and Raza, Laura I to Wisniewski, Timothy and Wisniewski, Amy, 6/30, $127,500

2 Foley Rd, Thompson, Michael N and Thompson, Katherine A to Morgan, Collin, 6/28, $275,000

2 Sunset Ter, Mary A Traska LT and Gibson, Jennifer A to Yeoman, Patrick and Yeoman, Lauren, 6/30, $270,000

612 Portland Cobalt Rd, Ferruolo 3rd, John A to Vega, Abimael and Morales, Shekina M, 6/30, $250,000

PRESTON

46 Prodell Rd, Henk, Ryan M and Henk, Cassandra L to Kan Investments LLC, 6/30, $260,000

151 Route 2, Majcher, Walter G to John C Majcher Jr LT and Majcher, John C, 6/30, $77,230

521 Route 12, White Gate LLC to Stclair, Forrest, 7/1, $750,000

PROSPECT

8 Karyl Ln, Lampron Jean Est and Lampron Jr, Robert to Bao, Engracia M, 6/28, $260,000

12 Colonial Dr, Steinfeld, Kenneth D and Steinfeld, Rita to Ortega Jr, Carlos F, 6/30, $350,000

18 Roy Mountain Rd, Halim, Agim R and Halim, Zamira to Stokes, Karen, 7/1, $535,000

26 Salem Rd, A2Z Investors LLC to Macholl, Katherine E and Jordhamo, Mark A, 7/1, $228,900

87 Cherry Cir Lot 87, Scaife, Gary S and Scaife, Kathleen A to Fearn, Darrell, 6/29, $455,000

PUTNAM

22 Richmond Rd, Vukas, Gary R and Letourneau, Wendy L to Whelan, Joshua, 6/28, $275,000

48 Genevieve St, Laverty, Shalon and Helie, Cynthia to Meeks, Brian O, 6/30, $300,000

65 Groveland Ave, Mahoney, Erin E and Mahoney, James D to Tilton, Connor, 6/30, $295,000

84 Perry St Lot 220, Packard, Kylie M to Holmes, Stacy A and Morin, Frederick L, 6/30, $275,000

129 Bibeault St, Taranto, Richard H to Dones, Deyanira B and Dones, Jose A, 6/27, $250,000

330 Church St, Church Street Putnam LLC to Baystate Inv Fund LLC, 6/30, $500,000

332 Church St, Church Street Putnam LLC to Baystate Inv Fund LLC, 6/30, $500,000

338-342 Church St, Church Street Putnam LLC to Baystate Inv Fund LLC, 6/30, $500,000

REDDING

15 Lamppost Dr, Delany Jr, Frank J and Delany, Sandra R to Lamazor, Erica, 6/27, $915,200

15 White Birch Rd, Freed, Laura to Obrien, Robert and Obrien, Eileen, 6/30, $760,000

32 Cross Hwy, Knowlton, Keith T and Ryan, Melissa A to Doyle, Andrew and Orea, Monserrat O, 6/27, $540,000

48 Putnam Park Rd, Jolls, Kristen S to Hertz, Jacob and Hauser, Sydney, 6/28, $570,000

RIDGEFIELD

7 Dowling Dr, Nancy M Montanari RET and Dean, Kim M to Montanari, Jay, 6/27, $700,000

14 Stonewall Ln, Smith, Sean C and Turner, Amanda N to Lawrence, Kiel and Lawrence, Meghan, 7/1, $1,365,000

16 Oneill Ct, Simon, Brent A and Simon, Janine M to Riding Jr, John L and Wheeler, Jennifer, 7/1, $1,225,000

18 Abbott Ave, Rostow, Jacquelyn M to Quittner, Jeremy and Morey, Jeff D, 6/27, $500,000

18 Harrison Ct, Gill, Robert H and Gill, Diana L to Upman, Kathleen, 7/1, $1,185,000

23 Belvedere Ct, Kathryn R Vivian RET and Vivian, Kathryn R to Hughes, Robert and Teagle, Kelly, 6/30, $1,550,000

27 Lynn Pl, Maerean, Serban C and Maerean, Dorina A to Schneider, Debora M, 6/30, $920,000

63 Whipstick Rd, Friedman, Jeffrey A and Friedman, Tammy L to Butterworth, Geoffrey R and Gagliano, Samantha M, 7/1, $875,063

64 Rockwell Rd, Carlson, Claire S to Miller, Jonathan and Miller, Cheryl, 7/1, $1,350,100

87 Barry Ave, Lamanna, Frederick and Lamanna, Corinne E to Rollison, David and Bondur, Jessica, 7/1, $860,000

94 Spectacle Ln, Fandetti, Donald J and Fandetti, Bonni to Steinberg, Paula and Guardia, Alejandro, 6/28, $1,765,000

107 Olcott Way Lot 107, Witt, Glenn E and Witt, Kristen to Foust, Patricia, 6/27, $242,000

210 Mimosa Cir, Valine, Shawn and Valine, Tanya to Painter, Robert J and Sershon, Valerie, 7/1, $825,000

222 Mountain Rd, Vill Andrew Est and Vill, Anthony H to Bortei, Diana, 6/30, $515,000

279 North St, Oliver, Lisa M and Oliver, Ronald A to Debicella, Daniel C and Galli, Alexandra L, 6/29, $1,600,000

659 Ridgebury Rd, David L Durbin LT and Durbin, David L to Predmore, Lauren and Claesgens, Kevin, 7/1, $837,000

8393 Belvedere Ct, Kathryn R Vivian RET and Vivian, Kathryn R to Hughes, Robert and Teagle, Kelly, 6/30, $1,550,000

ROCKY HILL

4 Concord Dr Lot 4, Tumpney, Jennifer M to Matthews, Jacqueline, 6/29, $63,000

10 Rose Ct Lot 10, Franzo Concetta Est and Franzo, Bruce to Clemens, Nancy J, 6/27, $292,800

62 Glastonbury Ave, Kirtland, Mary J to Corcoran, Neal, 6/30, $429,900

1191 Maple St, Salvatore A Candiloro RET and Benedetto, Gerald to Zheng, Yanhua, 6/28, $330,000

ROXBURY

E Woods Rd, Jackson, Gregory H to Marzella, Pascal A and Marzella, Rose M, 6/28, $170,000

Grassy Hill Rd, Jackson, Gregory H to Marzella, Pascal A and Marzella, Rose M, 6/28, $170,000

SALEM

33 Forest Dr, Roman Jr, Joseph E to Lietaert 2nd, Bernard B, 6/27, $265,000

43 Gardner Lake Hts, Allen, Timothy J and Allen, Trystan S to Butterworth, Jane E and Butterworth, Kenneth A, 6/27, $370,000

63 Corrina Ln, Tsai, Alex and Tsai, Diana to Ela, Ryan and Ela, Jennifer, 6/30, $519,000

SALISBURY

Academy St, St Johns Episcopal Church to Market Place Of Salisbury, 7/1, $315,000

13 Westmount Rd, Ross, Jane A to Balderston, David and Balderston, Kristen, 6/30, $1,645,000

87 Canaan Rd, Miller, Eleanor H to Copeland Wehle Lynch 4fF, 7/1, $474,000

SEYMOUR

29 Chestnut St, Didonato, Jessica M to Vega, Shayquan L and Borbon, Edison, 6/27, $275,000

220 Bungay Rd, Murtishi, Matian to Manigo, Lori, 6/28, $130,000

SHARON

East St, John Montgomery Lynch RET and Lynch, John M to Mollenkamp, Carrick and Nelson, Emily, 6/24, $1,550,000

SHELTON

Spring St, Accetullo, Samuel J to 179 Miller Avenue LLC, 6/29, $375,000

2 Watson Way, Sound 2 Home Builders LLC to Morales, Hiram and Morales, Karen L, 6/29, $794,762

12 Summit Ave, Stutheit, Jessica to Christo, Mark and Christo, Cynthia, 7/1, $350,000

14 Kimberly Dr, Johnson, Ryan D to Shahriyar, Syed and Aliya, Begum S, 7/1, $972,700

17 Edgewood Ave, Downs, Ethan J to Ngo, Trinh and Thibeault, Christopher, 6/27, $375,000

22 Briarcliff Rd, Crainer, Cameron J and Crainer, Renee P to Szalan Jr, John T, 6/29, $415,000

24 Blackberry Ln, Fahmi, Mourad and Fahmi, Odette to Pietrunti Jr, Michael and Petruccelli, Lauren, 7/1, $1,086,000

25 Kanungum Trl, Martin, Linda J to Grasty, Terhonna N, 7/1, $355,000

29 Beardsley Rd, Nykaza, Leonard J and Nykaza, Susan D to Russo, Concetta, 7/1, $550,000

30 Shinnacock Trl, E&E Quality Homes LLC to Goike, Cole and Goike, Mary, 6/28, $477,500

34 Wright St, Defilippo Salvatore Est and Cody, Christopher M to J&L Enterprise LLC, 7/1, $260,000

38 Lakeview Ave, Rhode Island Lights Inc to Hemphill, Jennifer J, 6/27, $349,900

40 Oak Valley Rd Ext, Barna, Peter to Degree, Bill and Degree, Krista A, 6/28, $470,000

45 Scotch Pine Dr, Rauso, Laura A to Kell, Caitlin P, 6/27, $800,000

46 Highland Ave, Ramalhete-Marino, Sandra and Ramalhete, Aldina F to Terroade, Ryon A and Terroade, Shanaye G, 6/28, $480,000

47 Lakeview Ave, Moura, Manuel to Teixeira, Diana R, 7/1, $415,000

48 Lynne Ter, Menhennett, Paul to Thompson, Antoinette and Peterson, Gavin, 6/27, $501,000

50 Greystone Lot 50, Fusco, Jullia and Carloni, James G to Mcquade, Kevin and Mcquade, Denise, 6/28, $400,000

51 Mustang Dr, Mastronardi, Thomas and Mastronardi, Debra to Gonzalez, Jose A and Bolado-Bueno, Estefania, 6/27, $550,000

56 Great Oak Rd, Mobilio, Dina to Quast, Deborah, 6/28, $575,000

56 Wakelee Ave Ext Lot 30, Coleman, William T to Coleman, William T and Convertitio, Kristen M, 7/1, $124,000

142 Howe Ave Lot 142, Song, Yeong M to Cham, Okalaka B, 6/27, $260,000

145 Canal St Lot 309, Chaffee, William and Chaffee, Amanda to Insler, Marcia L, 6/28, $248,000

145 Canal St Lot 4, Ryan, Austin to Pesale, Andrew, 6/27, $260,000

199 Birdseye Rd, Laton, Faith E to Stochmal, Matthew and Sadick, Alison, 6/29, $459,000

225 E Village Rd, Willey, Travis S and Willey, Cheryl L to Hutchinson, Brent and Lasher, Emma, 7/1, $471,000

560 River Rd Lot 12, Mcfalls, John O and Mcfalls, Susan L to 12 Shelton Cove LLC, 6/30, $800,000

749 Booth Hill Rd, Andricovich Jr, Nicholas A to Kotula, Marcin J, 7/1, $253,000

SHERMAN

Emerald Lake Dr, Blodgett Jr, Thomas and Bogaziotis, Marinella to Flood, Edith, 6/28, $560,000

7 Big Trl, Jaykumar V Dehejia FT and Dehejia, Vidya J to Cook, Melissa T and Demchuk, Robert J, 6/22, $713,000

11 Big Trl, Jaykumar V Dehejia FT and Dehejia, Vidya J to Cook, Melissa T and Demchuk, Robert J, 6/22, $162,000

60 Edmonds Rd, Rubin Warren Est and Rubin, Beth to Suarez, Alberto H and Lopez, Irina A, 6/21, $1,125,000

60 Edmonds Rd, Wollman Bernice Est and Wollman, Amy to Suarez, Alberto H and Lopez, Irina A, 6/21, $1,125,000

62 Edmonds Rd, Rubin Warren Est and Rubin, Beth to Suarez, Alberto H and Lopez, Irina A, 6/21, $1,125,000

62 Edmonds Rd, Wollman Bernice Est and Wollman, Amy to Suarez, Alberto H and Lopez, Irina A, 6/21, $1,125,000

184 Green Pond Rd, Blodgett Jr, Thomas and Bogaziotis, Marinella to Flood, Edith, 6/28, $560,000

SIMSBURY

1 Farmstead Ln, Wittig, David to Olayiwola, Sukurat O, 6/28, $374,900

3 Tolland Cir, Maher, Douglas S and Maher, Patricia K to Taylor, William and Pearson, Carolyn D, 6/28, $475,000

6 Timber Ridge Dr, Weathers, Kevin E and Weathers, Michelle S to Carpenter, Thomas and Carpenter, Emily, 6/30, $615,000

9 Hearthstone Dr, Girard, Joseph R to Lin, Jinhui, 6/28, $469,000

11 Knoll Ln Lot 11, Woodrow C&D H Perry RET and Perry, David C to Mowry, Gale, 6/29, $135,000

11 School House Ln, Donshik, Karen R to Moore, Stephen, 6/30, $900,000

18 Pinnacle Mountain Rd, Trautman Barbara A Est and Elliott, Tracey L to Lee, Austin G and Sinatro, Mia E, 6/27, $575,000

18 Stockade Rd, Peach, Linda Y to Rodrigues, Nelio J and Rodrigues, Catherine I, 7/1, $410,000

20 Griswold Pl Lot 20, Carson Way LLC to Bulkley, Peter B and Bulkley, Maria G, 6/24, $785,522

25 Old Stone Xing, Philip C Widman 2021 IRT and Widman, Sharon M to Polce-Leary, Alexander M and Leary, Magan M, 6/29, $840,000

25 Orchard Ln, Deal, Megan E and Deal, Timothy to Chamis, Hannah E and Marlow, Rourk, 7/1, $625,000

31 Woodland St, Warner, Karl H to Gilmore, Elisabeth, 7/1, $210,000

43 Windham Dr, Prestigomo Jr, Philip and Prestigomo, Helen to Lindberg, Scott C and Lindberg, Callie, 6/27, $600,000

50 Wolcott Rd, Shertukde, Hemchandra and Shertukde, Rekha H to Bednarski, Joshua J, 6/27, $188,000

52 Sunset Hill Rd, Macintosh, Andrew H to Mcnamara, Devin and Mcnamara, Chrisian, 6/28, $510,000

86 Laurel Ln, Sponzo, Anthony and Sponzo, Kerby to Bourdeau, Sarah C, 6/30, $472,500

195 W Mountain Rd, Chapman Jr, Maro H to Lobraico, Lucia and Sibillo, Biagio, 6/27, $385,000

404 Bushy Hill Rd, Graml, Jane H to Wilson, Ashley and Wilson, Travis, 6/24, $390,000

SOMERS

5 Suncrest Dr, Pierog, Eloyce M to Slomski, Paul and Slomski, Emily, 6/29, $109,900

39 Country Fair Dr, Sawtelle IRT and Sawtelle, Millicent to Irwin, Tyrone and Irwin, Tracy, 6/27, $460,000

75 Wrights Brook Dr, Rudolf, Mitchell S and Rudolf, Deborah H to Filbig, Kevin and Merosier, Stephana, 6/27, $467,900

183 Gulf Rd, OJ Props and Giupponi, Marc to Hoppie, Colin A and Lucea-Hoppie, Jenifer V, 6/27, $275,000

255 George Wood Rd, Odonnell, John P and Odonnell, Laura J to Christensen, Mark and Christensen, Kathleen, 6/29, $92,000

SOUTH WINDSOR

2 Saint Marc Cir Lot H, Putta, Phani and Narra, Hari P to Rao-Putchkayala, Soma S and Ravi, Deeparani, 6/24, $241,750

5 Gorski Dr, Nambiar, Aravind K and Krishnan, Lakshmi to Srivastava, Ashish and Srivastava, Nidhi, 6/24, $530,000

17 Shepard Way Lot 17, Rana, Pawal and Rana, Nisha to Kamma, Prasanth and Boyapati, Nagavi, 6/24, $566,000

102 Summer Hill Dr Lot 102, Martin, Sonja J to Phillips-Bosshart, Amanda, 6/27, $210,000

145 Natsisky Farm Rd, Amenta, Jason and Amenta, Meghan A to Harr, Phillip and Harr, Irene, 6/28, $465,000

400 Chapel Rd Lot 2A, Teamsters Local 559 Healt to Mitchell Real Estate LLC, 6/28, $37,500

507 Barber Hill Rd, Vintage Hills Homes LLC to Wiafe, Stanley K, 6/27, $225,000

SOUTHBURY

Fox Holw, Hartmann, Charles S and Hartmann, Karen L to Feinsmith, Barry S and Feinsmith, Glenda E, 7/1, $1,095,000

Middle Rd, Clark, Theodore G and Clark, Jeannie T to Svorka, Alissa L and Kraklio, Kevin J, 6/30, $379,000

73 Strongtown Rd, Scarlett, Paul E and Kimmer, Paula A to Carrison, Matthew R, 6/29, $565,000

86 Manor Rd, Delorenzo, Frank and Delorenzo, Mary to Holzthum, Gabriel and Holzthum, Joselyn, 6/27, $299,900

88 Manor Rd, Delorenzo, Frank and Delorenzo, Mary to Holzthum, Gabriel and Holzthum, Joselyn, 6/27, $299,900

93 Heritage Vlg Lot C, Belinski Edward C Est and Belinski, Michael to Rizzo, Deborah K, 7/1, $150,000

107 Old Woodbury Rd, Potpinka, Thomas A and Potpinka, Arlene G to Paden, Barry, 6/28, $585,000

111 Sleepy Hill Rd, Mckernon, Timothy P to Ball, John D and Bell, Rosamaria, 6/27, $640,000

118 Bagley Rd, Messenger, Dann A and Messenger, Aimee T to Pierpaoli, Kayla A and Smith, Kelin J, 6/30, $410,000

152 Heritage Vlg Lot C, Morse, Gail M and Morse, Robert E to Nykaza, Leonard J and Nykaza, Susan D, 6/30, $255,000

211 Riverhill Rd, Gordon, Jason M to Acevedo, Elaine and Goncalves, Waldiceia, 6/29, $407,000

239 Oak Hill Dr, Rodden, Ryan P and Rodden, Natalie V to Winnall, Teri and Peniowich, Robert, 7/1, $471,550

271 Heritage Vlg Lot A, Day, Roberta J to Bartlett, Geraldine, 6/29, $280,000

346 Jeremy Swamp Rd, Gazlay, James to Orellana, Marvin A, 6/30, $340,000

398 Southford Rd, Godreau, Michel F to Teglasi, Emma and Teglasi, Michael F, 6/29, $425,000

584 S Britain Rd, Clark, Theodore G and Clark, Jeannie T to Svorka, Alissa L and Kraklio, Kevin J, 6/30, $379,000

631 Heritage Vlg Lot A, Geisler, Ann M to Fantel RET and Fantel, Brian J, 7/1, $249,900

779 Heritage Vlg Lot A, Klara Tornallyay RET and Tornallyay, Cynthia to Putzig, Thomas F and Putz

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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6/28, $500,000

57 Hunters Xing, Zeller, Andrea S to Cobb, Kevin and Cobb, Tara L, 6/29, $430,000

58 Day Ave, Snell, Mark R to Camera, David, 6/29, $340,000

198 Dusky Ln Lot 198, Jerry&D Lajoie RET and Lajoie, Jerry L to Salerno, Brad and Salerno, Stephanie, 6/29, $268,440

235 Mountain Laurel Way Lot 235, Taylor, Caitlyn to Glynn, Judith G, 6/28, $270,000

272 Alewife Ln Lot 272, Zeller, Michael A and Specialized Loan Svc LLC to Hometown Home Buyers LLC, 6/28, $191,000

1831 Hill St, Grabowski, Bridget L to Doubleday, John, 6/27, $410,000

THOMASTON

27 Bayberry Dr, Scheppard, John S and Scheppard, Cynthia J to Roy, Carol A, 6/29, $410,000

166 Clay St, Linnen, Michael T to Guire, Destiny, 6/24, $304,900

THOMPSON

Central Turnpike Rd, Hodges, Keith and Hodges, Cheri to Hodges, Keith and Hodges, Destiny, 6/27, $27,000

56 Green Acres Ln, Papia, David S and Papia, Laura J to Decarvalho, Gustavo P and Carvalho, Elisonia R, 7/1, $325,000

397 Pompeo Rd, Beauchamp, Natalie W and Beauchamp, Thomas E to Ware, Molly R and Watson, Thomas B, 6/29, $270,000

TOLLAND

15 Kingsbury Ave, Cblb Rev Marital T and Bettinger, Charles E to Johnston, Sierra M and Johnston, Aaron M, 6/28, $220,000

54 Carter Dr, Freedman, Ronald F and Freedman, Carol A to Halamicek, Matthew H, 6/27, $295,000

148 Old Kent Rd N, Mahlstedt, Carl and Mahlstedt, Cynthia to Curley, Sean P and Monarca, Mikaila E, 6/30, $393,250

648 Old Post Rd, Hamm, Diane and Gsell, Ruth A to Rhamid, Nadia, 6/28, $291,000

TORRINGTON

5 Ticonderoga Dr, Ackerman, Edwin C to Hanan, Hanan, 6/29, $190,000

25 Maiden Ln Lot 1, Simoncelli, Francesca E to Sure Lot Homes LLC, 6/28, $70,000

29 Cedar Ln, Fudale, Thomas W to Lockman, Patricia and Lockman, David, 6/27, $300,000

29 Park Dr, Videtto, Karen L to Schwager, John J and Schwager, Deborah L, 6/27, $300,000

30 Rockledge Loop Lot 30, Frink, Phyllis A to Arcelasch, Justin, 6/30, $147,000

33 Birney Brook Rd, Couture, Jeffrey G to Woo, Chung and Kim, Chiyon, 6/28, $280,000

33 Edgewood Dr, Peacock, Mary B to Horne, Darrell and James-Hornes, Verna, 6/30, $330,000

35 Red Oak Hl, Elmendorf, Jeraldine E to Suwareh, Momodou, 6/30, $350,000

43 Wall St, Schmid, Willy to Archambault, Henry, 7/1, $225,000

46 Thompson Dr, Mcnally Jr, Joseph G and Mcnally, Rebecca J to Collins, Christopher and Collins, Debra, 6/24, $205,000

49 Coolidge Ave, Samay, Stephen J and Samay, Linda L to Godin, Daniel and Godin, Kimberly, 6/30, $290,000

50 Brightwood Ave, Wallace, Stephen to 50 Brightwood LLC, 6/24, $139,900

56 Griswold St, Motuzick Jr, Francis A and Motuzick, Jozef to Vielkind, John, 6/29, $200,000

62 Rockledge Loop Lot 62, Mcleod, John L and Mcleod, Janet L to Akers, Teresa, 6/29, $151,000

82 Morningside Dr, Kuzmik Suzanne P Est and Kuzmik, Paul T to Regner, Eric M and Demarco, Gina M, 6/24, $235,000

95 Aetna Ave, Anders, Kerwin D and Anders, Marcy S to B&DRR LLC, 7/1, $160,000

99 The Way, Rosado, Osvaldo and Rosado, Patricia to Marsh, Levi F, 6/28, $271,500

104 Country Club Rd, Cocco, Susan A to Mueller, Erika and Mueller, Nicholas, 6/29, $275,000

116 New Harwinton Rd, Mcbreen, Carolyn to Noack, Barbara and Noack, Robert, 6/30, $220,000

118 Silver Brook Ln, Dickinson, Walter to Gruber, Darrell and Marcelino, Zoila N, 6/27, $40,000

133 Highland Ave, Kornelak Robert H Est and Norris, Susan to Precision Plumbing&Drains, 6/28, $158,000

134 Scott Dr, Day, James A and Day, Gail to Hellberg, Eric J and Helleberg, Elsie E, 6/24, $219,500

138 Spyglass Ct Lot 138, Duprey, Jessica to Santos, Rickey J and Santos, Theresa A, 6/28, $145,000

144 Frederick St, Quinn, John W and Quinn, Mary A to Shea, Benjamin and Bonville, Makenzie, 6/29, $250,000

152 Cypress Ct Lot 152, CWP LLC to Sekikawa, Makoto and Sekikawa, Jinyi, 7/1, $154,000

167 Eagle Rdg, Guerrera, Theodore J to Mendoza, Chelsea L and Starky-Mendoza, Juan, 6/29, $300,000

247 Harwinton Ave, Windsor Mortgage Holdings to Baez-Jimenez, Lucia M, 6/28, $150,000

252 Ascot Ln, Stephens, Gary and Stephens, Rosa to Crossman, Jared and Crossman, Crystal, 6/29, $255,000

311 Charles St, Coviello, Jeanne to Abigail, Abigail and Battista, Joseph, 6/28, $355,000

338 Clearview Ave, Jones, Mercy A and Jones, Stephen K to Hussain, Syeda, 7/1, $250,000

342 Ledge Dr Lot 342, Cooper, Jeffrey and Cooper, Barbara I to Sandell, Savannah, 6/29, $162,500

474 New Litchfield St, Arethusa Eager Earth LLC to Marge LLC, 6/29, $432,500

576 Hayden Hill Rd, Sandin, Emily to Shaw, Richard and Shaw, Elizabeth, 6/30, $310,000

700 Migeon Ave, Chrleton, Margarita C to Nieves, Lauro F, 7/1, $90,000

1051 Mountain Rd, Mcghee, Tracy to Weber, Brian and Weber, Mandy S, 6/27, $440,000

1196 E Main St, Nicom Industries Inc to NLS GN Torrington LLC, 6/28, $980,000

TRUMBULL

High Meadow Farms, Atilho, Rogerio S and Atilho, Madalena E to Montanaro, Kelly, 6/24, $897,000

6 Cherry Blossom Ln, Wells, Valerie B to Morris, Theodore, 6/30, $415,000

7 Audubon Ln, Mcbride, Christine and Mcbride, Joseph to Elbirt, Adam and Elbirt, Danielle A, 6/28, $1,400,000

7 Enclave Dr, Toll Northeast 5 Corp to Vanarsdale, Susan and Vanarsdale, John H, 6/30, $751,337

13 Lindberg Dr, Tyszka, Francis to Sabbagh, Jeffrey D and Parente, Susan A, 6/30, $238,000

27 Mcadoo Ave, Dacosta, Olivia to Acosta, Carol, 6/29, $375,000

32 Overlook Pl, Hajek, Thomas J to Calgreen, Sarah A, 6/29, $459,000

37 Locust St, Cerrato, Adriana M and Cerrato, Christopher to Healy, James and Carnegie, Chantel, 6/30, $500,000

52 Ridgeview Ave, Herrmann, Timothy E to Fener, Jami E and Fener, Scott A, 6/27, $640,000

55 Pondview Ave, Joyce, Jaquelyn and Joyce, Steven to Collins, Kevin and Collins, Lauren, 6/29, $895,000

97 Coventry Ln, Lambert, Wendy to Vanolden, Kierstyn and Rosso, Steven, 6/30, $700,000

121 Twitchgrass Rd, Strang, Jennifer to Barrera, Nelson and Flores, Libet D, 6/28, $470,000

455 Tashua Rd, Carkner, Matthew and Carkner, Kary to Doherty, Rhonda and Doherty, Christopher, 6/28, $651,000

1967 Huntington Tpke, Chudy, Frank S and Chudy, Donna S to Hoak, Amy, 6/29, $950,000

5044 Main St, Duvelson, Carida to Farquharson, Camisha, 6/27, $410,000

VOLUNTOWN

82 Brown Rd, Pachaud Capital LLC to Lovendale, William and Lovendale, Caitlin, 6/27, $387,000

WALLINGFORD

2 Dinatale Dr, Kaye, David B and Kaye, Debra F to Campuzano, Cahteirne A, 7/1, $417,500

2 Russell St, CRS LLC to Bellone, Adam J and Lenington, Sarah A, 6/27, $349,000

9 Terrace Gdns Lot 9, Manning, Megan E to Scotto, Antonio, 6/28, $100,000

16 Orchard Ln, Beverage-Carbone, Betty J to Irvine, Marie, 6/29, $330,000

32 Ridgewood Cir, Westlake 2nd, Bryce A and Westlake, Rixanna L to Gouin, Joanne, 6/28, $332,000

32 Stillwood Rd, Blythe, Adam and Blythe, Eleanor to Mccaffrey, Matthew and Mccaffrey, Andrea, 7/1, $406,500

39 Hoffman Ct Lot B5, Gariepy, Francis to Gashi, Artan and Shiwiri-Gashi, Mimoza, 7/1, $100,000

40 Hoffman Ct Lot C4, Esposito Jr, Salvatore to Fiondella, Andrew, 7/1, $110,000

42 Pieper Dr, Carden, Melanie A to Liranzo-Demota, K C and Bautista, Leonardo M, 7/1, $360,000

48 Surrey Dr, Colon, Angelo and Colon, Virginia M to Coon, George E and Coon, Betty L, 6/28, $430,000

56 Oakdale Cir, Daly, Thomas G and Faly, Patricial A to Picone, Francesco, 6/29, $439,900

60 Grove St, Cozzolino, Lori to Oto, Brandon and Godiwala, Prachi, 6/27, $527,400

82 Tremper Dr, Bruno, Justin L to Perrotti, Frank, 6/29, $310,000

102 Woodhouse Ave, Ribera, Paul P and Ribera, Andrea L to Romero, Annel, 6/30, $270,000

120 Colonial Hill Dr Lot 120, Bruneau, Donna and Bruneau, Bobby to Platt, Lisa, 6/27, $337,500

128 Brentwood Dr Lot 128, Cmasc Properties LLC to Albino, Lori A, 6/27, $230,000

131 Staffordshire Commons Dr Lot 131, Cassidy, Matthew to You, Eunhea and Powlick, Patrick J, 6/27, $210,000

329 Main St Lot 203, Sporte Enterprises LLC to 329 Wally World LLC, 6/29, $90,000

329 Main St Lot 204, Sporte Enterprises LLC to 329 Wally World LLC, 6/29, $90,000

395 Woodhouse Ave, Woznicki, Anthony W and Woznicki, Elizabeth C to Christoforo, Daniel and Christoforo, Kaitlyn, 7/1, $455,000

765 Center St, Clark, Nicholas S to Brydon, Patrick J and Stokes, Keleen M, 6/30, $370,000

WARREN

74 Windy Ridge Rd, Ulrichsen, Kevin R and Ulrichsen, Elizabeth L to Martineau, Daniel and Martineau, Darcie, 6/28, $449,000

WASHINGTON

Quarry Ridge Condominium Lot 86, Kathleen K Demeo IRT and Demeo Jr, David C to Seng, Susanna M, 6/30, $395,000

74 River Rd, Keery, Francene to Romac LLC, 6/30, $400,000

90-A Tinker Hill Rd, Bazos, Andrew N to Forrest, Andrea and Forrest, James, 6/30, $3,850,000

WATERBURY

Boyden St, Saturno William D Est and Grey, Jessica A to Mayancela, Enrique L and Loja, Manuel F, 6/24, $121,000

Maple St, Saturno William D Est and Grey, Jessica A to Mayancela, Enrique L and Loja, Manuel F, 6/24, $121,000

Stonefield Condo Lot 5-9, Clews, Christian and Clews, Lauren to Bothroyd, Marcy, 6/24, $147,500

Tudor St, Melka, Arie to Nivar, Francisco, 6/27, $250,000

4 Saint Paul St, Williams, Janoye to Sanango, Jorge B, 6/27, $378,000

8 Lakewood Rd, Gutierrez, Dimas to 354 Lakewood LLC, 6/28, $205,000

9 Lakewood Rd, Gutierrez, Dimas to 354 Lakewood LLC, 6/28, $205,000

11 Houghton St, Rocco, Christina W to Maldonado, Edison E, 6/24, $230,000

12 Alma St, Greene, James to Martin, Stephen, 6/29, $169,900

14 Yale St, Lopez, Manuel M and Ezpinoza, Carmen V to Lopez, Jose S, 6/29, $240,000

18 Beth Ln, Schadee Doris M Est and Miller, Daniel H to Jesulaitis, Julie, 6/29, $190,000

22 Moran St, Braune, Luiz H and Braune, Flavia C to Morillo, Johnny N and Demorillo, Yocary E, 6/27, $210,000

23 John St, Saint Joseph Parish Corp to Waterbury City Of, 6/28, $410,000

31 Craftwood Rd Lot 8, Cortina, Irma to R&R Brothers Realty LLC, 6/24, $65,000

32 Pearl Lake Rd, Gonzalez, Alonso and Figueroa, Ilsa E to Jusinov, Ali, 6/27, $270,000

37 Norris St, Calo, Incoronata to Gambino, Philip and Gambino, Karen, 6/24, $300,000

40 Falls Ave, Moffett, Feoddor J to HBR Holdings LLC, 6/27, $300,000

43 E Farm St, Colotl, Nicolas A and Tecuapetla, Cruz A to Nivicela, Ines R and Aguilar, Juan C, 6/28, $10,000

46 Congress Ave, Saint Joseph Parish Corp to Waterbury City Of, 6/28, $410,000

47 John St, Saint Joseph Parish Corp to Waterbury City Of, 6/28, $410,000

52 Knoll St, Zappone, Robert to Scotland, Norman K, 6/28, $162,000

65 Bentwood Dr Lot 2, Jefferson, Matthew R to Lewis, Eboni, 6/28, $125,000

87 Cherry St, Scaife, Gary S and Scaife, Kathleen A to Fearn, Darrell, 6/28, $455,000

96 Edin Ave, Fazo, Shkelqim to Carpio, Hector, 6/29, $270,000

100 Bennett Ave, Soto, Luz M to Torres, Evelyn, 6/28, $159,000

100 Vail St, Vitale, Lorraine M to Oloughlin, Stephen W, 6/29, $200,000

108 Rose St, Virk, Devinder S and Virk, Aneel K to Aca, Miguel and Gutierrez, Ines, 6/24, $240,000

113 E Farm St, Williams, Janoye to Sanango, Jorge B, 6/27, $378,000

115 E Farm St, Williams, Janoye to Sanango, Jorge B, 6/27, $378,000

135 Orange St, Arcuri, Jason to Hernandez, Daniel, 6/29, $96,000

182 Stonefield Dr Lot 9, Clews, Christian and Clews, Lauren to Bothroyd, Marcy, 6/24, $147,500

185 Huntingdon Ave, MAZ North LLC to 185 Connecticut LLC, 6/24, $1,250,000

185 Purdy Rd, Hickey, Randee L and Brown, Louise A to Pina, Angel, 6/24, $220,000

200 Yale St Lot 14A, Awwad, Daniel C to Robinson, Akeila B, 6/24, $122,000

271 Jersey St, Rodriguez, Kenja R to Joyner, Melanie A, 6/29, $235,000

292 Beth Ln, Ahmetovic, Amir and Ahmetovic, Dzevida to Carchi, Kleber E, 6/27, $339,900

298 E Mountain Rd, PD Painting Plus LLC to Torres, Juan A, 6/27, $218,000

380 Hitchcock Rd Lot 241, Roulanaitis, Beverly to Carlson, Jessica, 6/28, $157,700

394 Homestead Ave, HSBC Bank USA NA Tr to Wtby 5 Development LLC, 6/27, $104,000

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1105 N Main St, Melka, Arie to Nivar, Francisco, 6/27, $250,000

3275 E Main St Lot A, Santarsiero, William P to Doyle, Margaret, 6/23, $200,000

WATERFORD

11 Arrowhead Trl, Desai, Ravi M and Desai, Sarah A to Brouillard, Matthew and Brouillard, Leslie, 6/28, $565,727

16 Sunniecrest Dr, Lawrence J Tytla Sr RET and Tytla, Ellen C to Rhodes, Cecil D, 6/28, $45,000

54 Rope Ferry Rd Lot E89, Kierys Diane M Est and Begun, Dawnlyn M to Collett, Debra L, 6/27, $141,000

82 Longview St Lot 30, C W&P D Curtin RET and Curtin, Christopher W to Chapman, Catherine, 6/29, $141,000

649 Vauxhall St Ext, Ferraro, Danielle to Todd, Tyler and Todd, Payton L, 6/27, $274,000

WATERTOWN

Catherine St, Dowling, Donna to Beckford, Sonya S, 7/1, $195,000

5-J Ryan Way Lot 5, Ashford Woods LLC to Ingerman, Jeffrey A and Ingerman, Judith A, 6/29, $519,925

6 Country Dr, Palmer, Martin J to Pinto, Robson N, 6/28, $315,000

46 Dunrobin Ln, Parrino, Brandon S and Parrino, Amanda to Miller, Jillian and Walker, Kyle, 7/1, $295,000

57 Cannon Ridge Dr Lot 57, Mallette, Darren S to Wadman, Karyn E, 6/30, $135,000

70 Cherry Ave, Dowling, Donna to Beckford, Sonya S, 7/1, $195,000

110 Evelyn St, Pilla, Pasquale and Pilla, Aquilina A to Koku, Ferat, 6/27, $340,000

116 Sylvan Lake Rd, Greatorex Jr, William and Greatorex, Janet to Callanan, Richard and Callanan, Catherine F, 6/27, $315,000

319 Thomaston Rd Lot 20, Kang, Diane E to Mckeon, Robert and Baker, Richard, 6/27, $230,000

WEST HARTFORD

1 King Philip Dr Lot 304, Persico Christine L Est and Persico, Cara L to Jain, Shagun, 6/27, $285,000

4 Ranger Ln, Gershman, Donald S to Caren Haas T and Haas, Caren, 7/1, $749,000

4 Sherwood Rd, CIL Realty Inc to Marien, Jay W, 6/29, $220,000

14 Harwich Ln Lot 14, Sahrbeck, Krista J to Sellew, Timothy, 6/30, $336,000

18 Fox Meadow Ln, Maggi, Ernest M and Maggi, Robin K to Rios, Shirley S, 6/29, $707,000

25 Barton St, Choi, Richard to Pal, Navoneel and Ghosh, Anurupa A, 6/28, $285,000

26 Robin Rd Lot 4, Ahern, Brian to Rosebud LLC, 6/27, $241,175

30 Princeton St, Schaible, Jeffrey R and Schaible, Emily S to Firestone, Owen and Firestone, Layne, 6/30, $360,000

46 Old Stone Xing, Sullo, Giovanna to Ioannou, Angeline N and Goff, Brooke, 6/28, $2,000,000

50 Ridgewood Rd, Juneja FT and Juneja, Sandeep to Zhu, Xianwu and Jiang, Xiuyu, 7/1, $545,000

70 Sylvan Ave, Jin, Chengjun and Jin, Zhu Z to Piao, Meihua and Li, Jingzhe, 6/28, $250,000

85 Penn Dr, Sachem Capital Corp to Gupta, Khushboo, 7/1, $460,270

105 Northbrook Dr, Benmoar, Mark and Lee, Charlene to Williams, April N, 6/28, $300,000

110 Argyle Ave, Johnson, Nancy M to James, Victoria E, 6/29, $395,000

110 Fuller Dr, Chang, Roger Y to Wallace, Keshunde, 6/29, $425,000

117 Hyde Rd, Jordan, Michael A and Akyel, Emel to He, Ruili and Yang, Yang, 6/28, $420,000

130 Seymour Ave, Kodiak, Lauren N to Macari, Dionna, 6/29, $260,000

174 Woodrow St, Priester, Rachel L to Vasquez, Paul, 6/27, $407,500

194 4 Mile Rd, Bradley, William P and Bradley, Christine to Wang, Sijie J and Yuan, Angela S, 6/29, $1,200,000

249 Griswold Dr, Wentland, Robert to Grady, Lisa and Christie, Jeremy, 6/28, $551,000

291 Auburn Rd, Wallace, Keshunde and Matos, Chastity to Cohen, Melissa and Kessing, Noam K, 6/30, $425,000

887 Farmington Ave Lot 3J, Leiser, Jason to Scott, Dionne A, 7/1, $210,000

1903 Boulevard, Mckay, Morgan T and Mckay, Erin K to Mann, Marianne K and Mann, Stephen T, 6/29, $610,000

2325 Albany Ave, Willits, Janet M to Chao, Grace Y, 7/1, $350,000

WEST HAVEN

3 Osborne Ave, Biondi, Adriana to Moffett, Samantha J and Moffett, Craig E, 6/30, $316,000

5 Bayview Pl, Ladutko, William and Ladutko, Robert to Flood, Victoria and Cozens, Duncan, 6/28, $480,000

5 Peppermill Dr, Graham, Matthew M and Graham, Melissa A to Watson Jr, William W, 7/1, $410,000

7 Gregory Rd, Duprey, Michael T to Robles, Marilys F, 6/24, $330,000

7 Woody Crst, Krantz, Patricia E to Paula W Roberts Rev LT and Roberts, Paula W, 6/30, $440,000

12 Ipswich St, Brown Ernestine S Est and Singleton, Sadie to Lopez-Benitez, Elmer O, 6/24, $210,000

14 W Prospect St, FF LLC to Leon, Christine R, 6/30, $306,000

17 Wood St, 17 Wood St Props LLC to WH Industrial Park LLC, 6/28, $1,800,000

22 Thill St, Erickson Jennifer Est and Weinrod, Erin to Miller, Noreen, 6/28, $175,000

45 Lake Ave, Baccash, Howard to Mccarthy, Lissa, 6/30, $100,000

55 Ownly Ave, Stewart, Patricia and Stewart Jr, Larry to 139 Summit LLC, 6/27, $133,000

77 Harold St, Williams, Clife C to Rivera, Roberto P and Aldaz-Abril, Judith G, 6/24, $320,000

114 Tuthill St, Martinaj, Sadete to Louis, Edwige, 6/29, $275,000

154 Spring St, 154 Spring St LLC to Parameswar Real Estate, 6/24, $165,000

161 W Spring St Lot C1, Thresher, Hugh to Rodriguez, Jason L, 6/30, $125,000

173 Richmond Ave, Gabriel, June M to Lozano, Cesar and Solanger-Espinoza, Viviana, 6/28, $355,000

175 Rockdale Rd, Skytree LLC to Rosewood Home Builders, 6/28, $50,000

235 William St, Linsley, Anthony to Lin, Jiawen, 6/28, $340,000

309 Terrace Ave Lot 24, Alpha Acquisitions LLC to Barbosa, Daiana and Munk, Gregory E, 6/30, $163,000

324 1st Ave, Migliaro, John J to Mendez, Jessica and Estremera, Carmen, 6/30, $377,000

330 Savin Ave Lot 38, Nori, Juliana I to Lovermi, Paul, 6/30, $186,000

375 Benham Hill Rd, Malmstrom, Robert and Malmstrom, Ashley to Tuitt, Derek A, 6/28, $480,000

443 Painter Dr, Downes Lauren E Est and Downes, William J to Martin, Antoinette, 6/30, $290,000

624 Orange Ave, 1 Up Investments LLC to Village Improvement Assoc, 7/1, $229,000

690 Forest Rd Lot 542, Mirto, Nicholas F and Caneschi-Mirto, Jenifer L to Hwang, Kyung I and Hwang, Hong G, 6/28, $315,000

WESTBROOK

103 Old Salt Works Rd, Robinson, Kevin M and Dornfried, Amy M to Mcguinness, Heather W and Mcguinness, Noel, 6/28, $475,000

314 Chapman Mill Pond Rd Lot 15, FNMA to Leary Jr, Michael J, 6/30, $161,500

452 Essex Rd, Pantalone, Marc to Dumitru, Gregory D and Dumitru, Samantha J, 6/27, $456,500

1191 Essex Rd, 1251 Essex Road LLC to Goldstein, Roberta E and Goldstein, Gerard, 7/1, $429,900

WESTON

2 Godfrey Rd W, Bunkoci, William E and Bunkoci, Lisa M to Cary&Thomai Gersh FT and Gersh, Cary D, 6/30, $1,550,000

6 Colony Rd, Hammonds-Zona, Melissa to Wiese, Richard and Wiese, Nicci, 6/28, $1,855,000

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9 Laurel Lk W, Cools, Guy E and Daemen, Karen to Fan, Ran and Luna, Rui, 6/24, $2,525,000

14 Old Field Ln, Morgan, Brian A to Kazakov, Jasmine and Kazakov, Artem, 6/24, $1,425,000

15 Brier Brook Rd, Michael Levine RET and Levine, Milana to Cohen, Julie and Chazanow-Roberts, Valerie, 6/29, $1,270,000

15 High Meadow Rd, Bailey, Saundra to Piowonski, Daniel E and Piwonski, Jamie L, 6/27, $825,000

21 Greenfield Dr, Newman, Tara and Newman, Kevin to Shapiro, Adam M and Milgramm, Anastasia, 7/1, $1,525,000

29 W Branch Rd, Antler, David B and Antler, Elizabeth L to Wallach, Benjamin H and Wallach, Nicole A, 7/1, $3,150,000

37 Treadwell Ln, Story, Edward R and Story, Helen to Yee, Tammy and Yee, Christopher, 6/27, $1,400,000

41 Rogues Rdg, Toni Anne Reamer 2019 RET and Reamer, Toni A to Kuhn, David P, 6/27, $2,825,000

56 Old Redding Rd, Kmecak, Paul J to Beer, Peter and Beer, Sara A, 7/1, $600,000

178 Davis Hill Rd, Carlor, Kwame and Carlor, Anne to Margolin, Sam and Margolin, Lindsey, 7/1, $1,050,000

248 Lyons Plain Rd, Buckley, Eileen S to Lauriello, Elizabeth and Lauriello, Adrian, 6/28, $1,050,000

WESTPORT

1 River View Rd, Jorgen F Jensen RET and Mckay, Elisa J to 1 Riverview LLC, 6/30, $3,300,000

1-A Meadowbrook Ln, Bluewater 1A Mdwbrook LLC to Resnick, Zachary L and Resnick, Jennifer W, 6/27, $3,975,000

2 Owenoke Park, Locurto, Wayne W and Locurto, Kathy B to Bluewater Owenoke 2 LLC, 6/27, $3,112,500

8 Shadbush Ln, Harizman, Niv and Harizman, Kim to Bradley, Marc and Stirling, Kelann, 6/30, $4,000,000

12 Godfrey Ln, Murphy, Jerome and Klouda, Joanne to Sir 12 Godfrey LLC, 6/24, $1,150,000

14 Broad St, Benzan, Angela to Keliher, Eric and Wyss, Gena, 6/30, $2,100,000

16 Timber Ln, NKP3 LLC to Byczek, Grant and Byczek, Melissa, 6/29, $4,615,000

17 Cob Dr, Caldwell, Christopher and Caldwell, Courtney to Rosenblatt, Jason and Brilliant, Emily, 6/28, $1,750,000

17 Mortar Rock Rd, Boccarossa, Peter to Hullfish, Matthew and Hullfish, Angelus V, 6/30, $1,750,000

19 Treadwell Ave, Hunter, William J and Hunter, Kimberly J to Sir Dev, 6/27, $850,000

39 Long Lots Rd, Busk 3rd, Frederick T and Busk, Andrea M to Chen, Chen and Liu, Fangzhou, 6/24, $2,680,000

44 Sniffen Rd, Nahigian, Sarkis D and Nahigian, Natalie to Posner, Lawrence and Newburger, Amy, 6/30, $1,344,000

49 High Point Rd, Spak, Joseph and Spak, Naomi to Catalano, Christopher and Catalano, Virginia, 6/29, $3,100,000

57 Woodside Ave, Zandirad, Tony and Zandirad, Cheryl T to Morley, Carol and Garg, Neeraj, 6/27, $1,600,000

62 Bermuda Rd, 62 Bermuda Road Assoc LLC to Blaustein, Howard and Winters, Christina, 6/27, $9,700,000

111 Compo Rd N, Donlon, Brian T and Donlon, Rena S to Vynerib, Jennifer, 6/27, $1,563,000

155 Newtown Tpke, Didner, Hal and Didner, Michelle to Vance, Kevin and Vance, Kayla, 6/24, $1,450,000

173 Roseville Rd, Tarnoff, Elizabeth and Radunsky, Mark to Langford, Joy and Makl, Glenn, 6/30, $1,880,000

203-C Compo Rd S, Further Afield 203C S Com to Meyer, Sibyl M and Ledwick, Tim S, 6/24, $1,100,000

719 Post Rd E, Randolph A Vidal LT and Vidal, Randolph A to 719 Post Road LLC, 6/29, $1,300,000

WILLINGTON

Mason Rd, Talmadge Daniel W Est and Colburn, Kathleen to Willington Town Of, 6/28, $125,000

103 Willington Hill Rd, Siciliano, Elisa I to Lizotte, Ryan C and Fuller, Mary C, 6/29, $300,000

WILTON

N/A Lot 9, Peck, Benjamin L and Peck, Jelueh M to Egan, Patricia, 6/30, $829,000

N/A, Beecher, James H and Beecher, Sharon Z to Fisher, Mark and Fisher, Maya, 6/24, $1,650,000

N/A Lot 10, Peck, Benjamin L and Peck, Jelueh M to Egan, Patricia, 6/30, $829,000

3 Huckleberry Hill Rd, Gethin-Jones, Marica L to Lawson, Charles and Lawson, Jennifer, 7/1, $1,385,000

18 Old Lantern Dr, Bracken, Brendan R and Bracken, Nancy A to Tessaro, Haley and Astrachan, Brian, 6/30, $1,175,000

20 Fawn Ridge Ln Lot 20, Sherla, Mohan and Sirigari, Sowmya to Sparkle, William and Sparkle, Natasha, 7/1, $602,500

33 Pine Ridge Rd, Eller, Richard and Eller, Joy M to Eskenazi, Samantha R and Eskenazi, Albert, 6/30, $1,285,000

40 Warncke Rd, Plesner, Anthony and Koh, Serena to Rill, Elizabeth E and Safian, Noah, 6/30, $1,481,000

62 Village Ct Lot 62, Vedantam, Samira and Mamidala, Amith to Overbeck, Gail, 6/28, $795,000

105 Drum Hill Rd, Fernandes, Luis F and Fernandes, Stephanie to Fiore, Martin and Fiore, Jennifer, 7/1, $2,275,000

151 Skunk Ln, Rothwell, Jayson and Rothwell, Michelle to Wasserman, Jared and Wasserman, Allison, 6/24, $1,750,000

160 Olmstead Hill Rd, Brodie, Bruce B and Casey, Marie C to Lutzner, Erika, 6/27, $1,750,000

169 Branch Brook Rd, Mchugh, Scott and Mchugh, Allison to Grassl, Steven and Grassl, Laura, 6/30, $1,240,000

215 Belden Hill Rd, Rogg, Kimberly K and Rogg, Russell P to Suarez, Inoki A and Wojdyla, Christine, 6/28, $1,800,000

WINCHESTER

9 John St, Charette, Geraldine B to Damianov, Luben, 6/30, $111,051

14 Royer St, Donahue, Maureen E to Gutic, Hadzija, 6/27, $250,000

17 Front St, Christensen, Teresa M and Winchester Town Of to Winchester Town Of, 7/1, $88,000

122 West Rd, Patterson, Michael B and Patterson, Janet L to Schibi, Darek M and Schibi, Megan L, 6/29, $459,900

244 Main St, Koutroumanis, John to Lieu, Lynn and Hang, Tony, 6/29, $310,000

347 W Wakefield Blvd, Pompei, Virginia M and Moulton, Joan B to Bavier, Carole O and Beaudreault, Meredith O, 6/27, $159,900

WINDHAM

W Park St, 16 Chapman LLC to 7 West Rentals LLC, 6/30, $237,000

2 Paradise St, Sun, Jiangwen and Zhang, Shengnan to Luna, Vincent, 7/1, $197,900

3 Gifford Ave, TRZ LLC to Yeager, Douglas G, 6/27, $155,000

25 Bolivia St, Day, Diane to Rosado, Raymond S, 6/27, $155,000

33 Chestnut St, Rego Group LLC to Daggett, Daniel C, 6/30, $220,000

38 Oakwood Dr, Orefice, David A to Palmer, Corey F, 7/1, $272,000

59 Horn Rd, Cianci, John A and Cianci, Wendy S to Rivera, Mike, 6/27, $285,000

65 Sundale Dr, Holman, Brian D and Holman, Joshua R to Gregoire, Amy and Secor, Scotty J, 6/30, $385,000

240 N Windham Rd, Ouimette, Edith C to Nye, Robert A and Nye, Kathleen, 6/27, $36,000

249 Highland View Dr, Klosowski Thomas M Est and Keeney, Judith M to Boissevain, Wendy, 6/27, $255,000

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270 S Windham Rd Lot 63, Lapenta Lauren M Est and Lefemine, Paul to Ngom, Malick, 6/30, $36,000

366 Ash St Lot 22, Curran, Mary E to Lisboa, Loren G and Lisboa, Luis, 6/27, $177,000

WINDSOR

Blue Hills Ave, Griffin Park Realty 8 and Griffin Park Realty Vv 3 to Windsor Griffin Inv LLC, 6/30, $7,000,000

1 Scott Ln, Walker, Danyell to Noujaim, Melissa E, 6/28, $420,000

8 Windsor Ave, Townsend, Errol to Yusuf Properties LLC, 7/1, $308,000

9 Brown Ave, Faldu, Vijay R and Faldu, Bharat R to Vargas, Joshua, 6/29, $215,000

9 Pine Dr, Alvarenga-Ortiz, Natalia and Ortiz-Lopez, Juan M to Rivera, Richard and Olmo, Ivonne M, 6/29, $250,000

11 Green Manor Ave, Cohen, Mervalyn to Bewry, Valena, 6/27, $305,000

23 Peddler Dr, Coonan, Patrick to Gayle, Alexia, 7/1, $395,000

29 Orchard Rd, Pouliot Jr, John P and Pouliot, Susan D to Bolliger Family LT, 6/24, $395,000

33 Last Leaf Cir Lot 33, Berti, Mirco to Grasso Jr, Frank J and Grasso, Victoria T, 6/29, $300,000

37 Center St, Sabotka, Gary E and Coffin, Judith to Trombly, Gary W and Trombly, Joyce C, 6/30, $336,000

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51 Berrios Hill Rd, Wallner Family IRT and Wallner, Scott M to Iaconetti, Elizabeth and Iaconetti, Paul, 6/29, $410,000

51 Lincoln Way, Madey Margaret R Est and Moffett, Kathleen to Mcmahon, Rashida Z, 6/24, $321,500

55 Bloomfield Ave, Lindberg, Scott to Grados, Leylith, 7/1, $260,000

58 Hudson Ln Lot 58, Cohen-Schepart, Florence to Silber, Cheryl and Leonida, Andrei, 6/29, $339,000

83 Seymour St, Rejuvenate RE LLC to Cortes, Belinda, 7/1, $245,000

120 Matianuck Ave, Madina Academy Inc to Ricketts, Denzil B, 6/27, $235,000

265 Prospect Hill Rd, Gibson, Reid W to Norris, Crystal M, 6/28, $460,000

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341 Conestoga St Lot 341, Mcsheffery, Carol to Teg RB Condos 2 LLC, 7/1, $155,000

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773 Bloomfield Ave, Eberle, Frederick J and Wahl, Robyn J to Deleo, Alfred J and Deleo, Jennifer P, 6/28, $430,900

1991 Poquonock Ave, Lawlor, Elizabeth C and Lawlor, Jay R to Taylor, Tramaine and Taylor, Dwayne, 6/30, $240,000

WINDSOR LOCKS

Dibble Hollow Ln Lot 58, Williams Patricia A Est and Williams, Christian M to Sabotka, Gary E and Coffin, Judith, 6/30, $225,000

Elm Corners Condo Lot 65A, Cascade Funding Mtg T HB5 to Worf 6&Sarek LLC, 6/28, $90,000

3 Concorde Way Lot A2, Rubert, Jose to Mendapra, Keshav, 6/30, $132,500

3 Vadnais Dr, Lemay, Gary E and Lemay, Judith A to Patel, Ridhi and Patel, Rajnikant, 6/29, $265,000

4 Walnut Cir, Banning, Debra A to Richard, Sara E, 6/28, $219,000

6 Elm Ter, Conant, Mikayla A and Conant, Grace H to Our Town Home Buyers LLC, 6/27, $160,000

10 Townline Rd, Weatherby, Gerard C and Weatherby, Julia G to Allen, Dana, 6/29, $265,000

17 Chapman Chase Lot 17, Brown, Stephen C to

ASK THE BUILDER

Solving sewer gas mysteries

By Tim Carter
Tribune Content Agency

I've always loved doing plumbing work because it's a true three-dimensional puzzle.

I've been a master plumber since 1981, and I always say if you have a daughter, son or grandchild who wants to have a rewarding career that provides significant income, point them to a trade school that teaches this craft.

Today I want to talk about sewer gas. It's vital that plumbing drain pipes, as well as the vents that connect to them, be installed correctly so sewer gas never enters your home. Every week, I solve sewer gas problems over the phone with homeowners. In fact, on the day before I wrote this column I solved a vexing problem for a New Mexico homeowner just hours before he was expecting house guests.

Sewer gas can be found in septic tanks, city sewers and the drain pipes in your home. It smells horrible. It's caused by the decomposition of bodily waste and rotting food that you send down your drain pipes. It's toxic and can cause severe illness if you're exposed to enough of it for long periods of time.

Just two years ago a man hired me to come to his home to solve a sewer gas issue. His wife was ill and no doctor could figure out the cause. Within minutes, I connected her suffering to the leaking sewer gas. I found out that they had installed a new tile floor on top of an existing one in a powder room adjacent to where his wife sat and watched TV.

After the new floor had been installed, the tile setter or plumber failed to install an extra wax ring to account for the fact that the toilet now sat a half-inch higher than it had before. Sewer gas was leaking from the base of the toilet. As soon as two wax rings were installed on top of each other on the toilet flange and the toilet was reset, the sewer gas stopped entering the home.

It's vital to understand that the plumbing pipes in your home work like the blood vessels in your body. When all is well in your body, your blood stays inside the blood vessels. If you cut yourself or if a vessel breaks under pressure, blood leaks out. The same is true for the pipes in your home. When all is well, the liquids, solids and sewer gas stay in the pipes.

But if a pipe cracks or has a hole drilled in it, or if a trap under a fixture dries out, you'll have trouble. Dried-out p-traps under sinks, showers and floor drains are the most common source of sewer gas. The p-trap incorporates a curved pipe, most often a U shape, that traps water at the bottom of the curve, and this acts as a barrier to gas and vermin entering your home.

Two years ago I did a phone consultation with a man that owned a condo in a high-rise building in Monaco. He had a horrible sewer gas problem. It turned out the gas was leaking from multiple other units above and below his condo!

Many of the condo owners only stay in their units for a few months out of a year, and while they're gone, water evaporates from the traps under all the fixtures and from the toilet bowls. Once the water seal in the traps is broken, the sewer gas wafts into the unit and then enters the tall plumbing shaft where all the pipes go down to the street. The sewer gas in the tall shaft was getting into the man's condo. I had him contact the condo maintenance manager. He used his master key and went into each vacant condo. He then ran water in all the fixtures and flushed all the toilets. Within hours, the sewer gas problem in the entire building stopped.

Wind can also cause a problem. That plumbing pipe up on your roof works in the opposite way chimneys do. Chimneys are designed to get rid of smoke from a fire or furnace. Plumbing vent pipes draw fresh air down into the pipes in your home each time you run water in a sink or shower or flush a toilet.

A year ago I wrote a simple booklet about sewer gas. It explains how plumbing systems work. If you have a sewer gas problem, the book asks you a series of questions to help narrow down the potential sources. Within a few minutes, you will likely be able to figure out the problem on your own. If not, I am available to talk on the phone.

If you want to read the first chapters of my short sewer gas book for free, go to GO.askthebuilder.com/sewergasbook.

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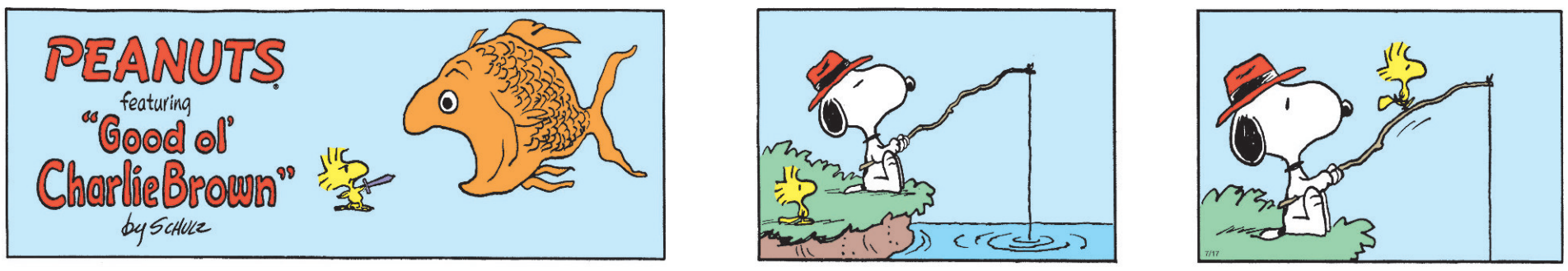

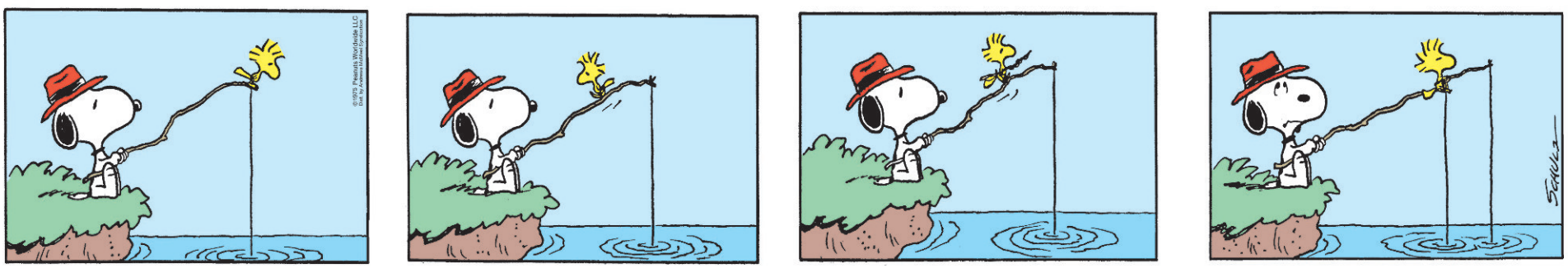

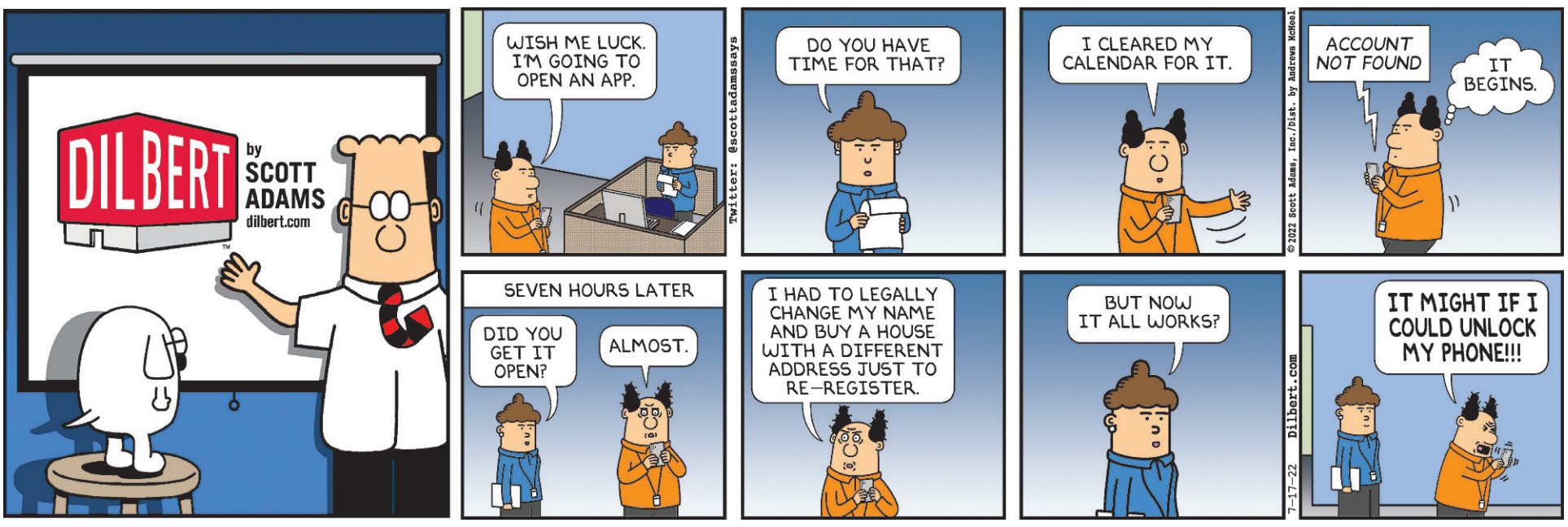
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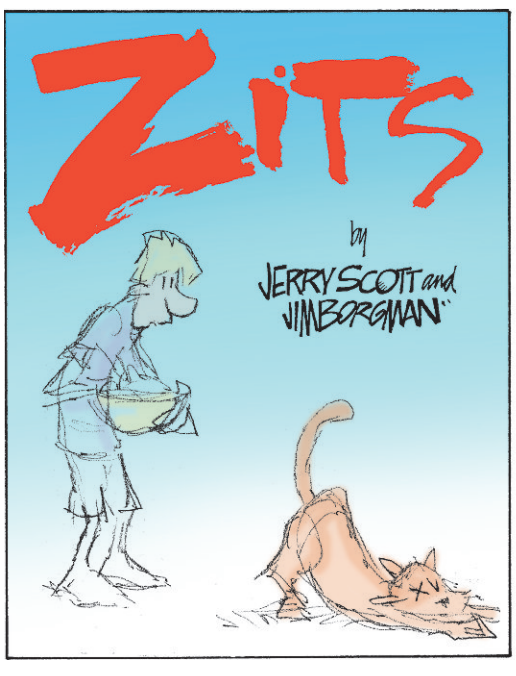

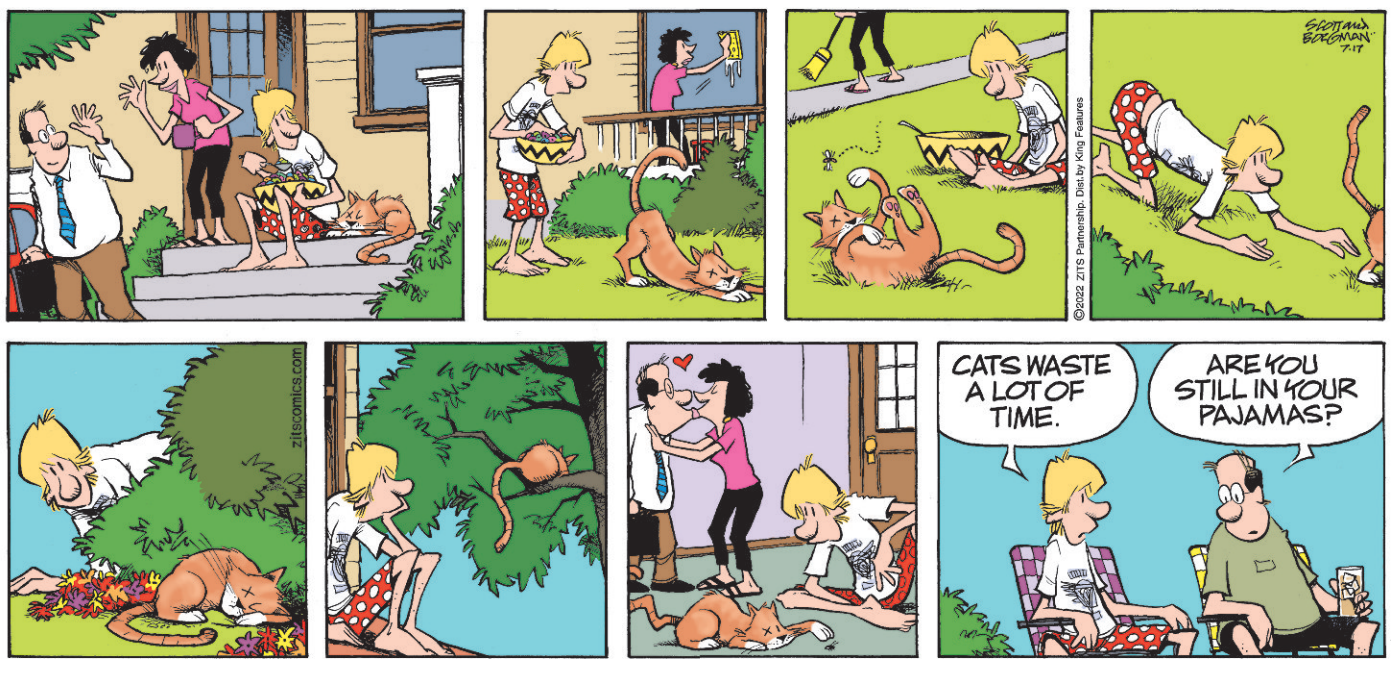

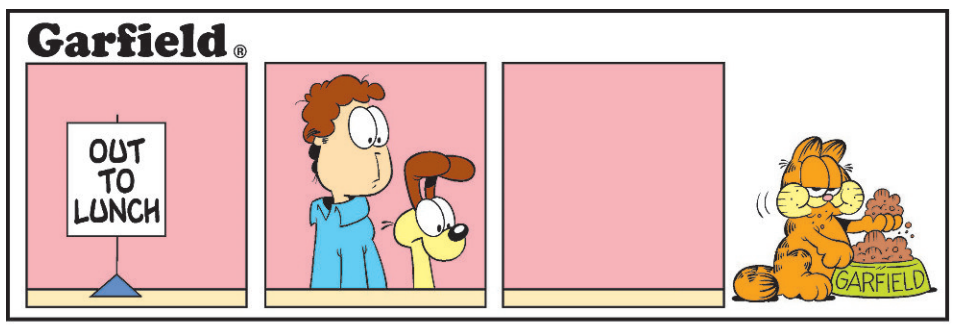

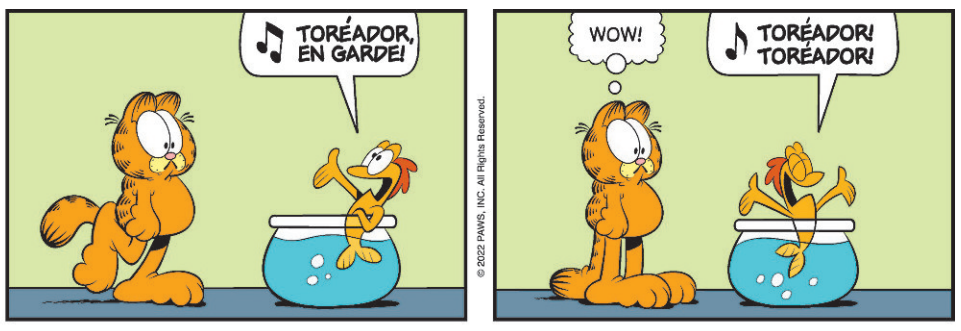

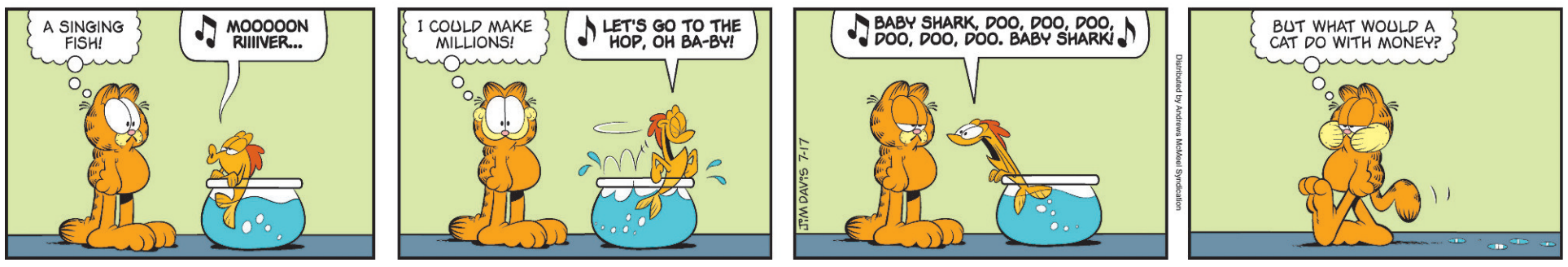
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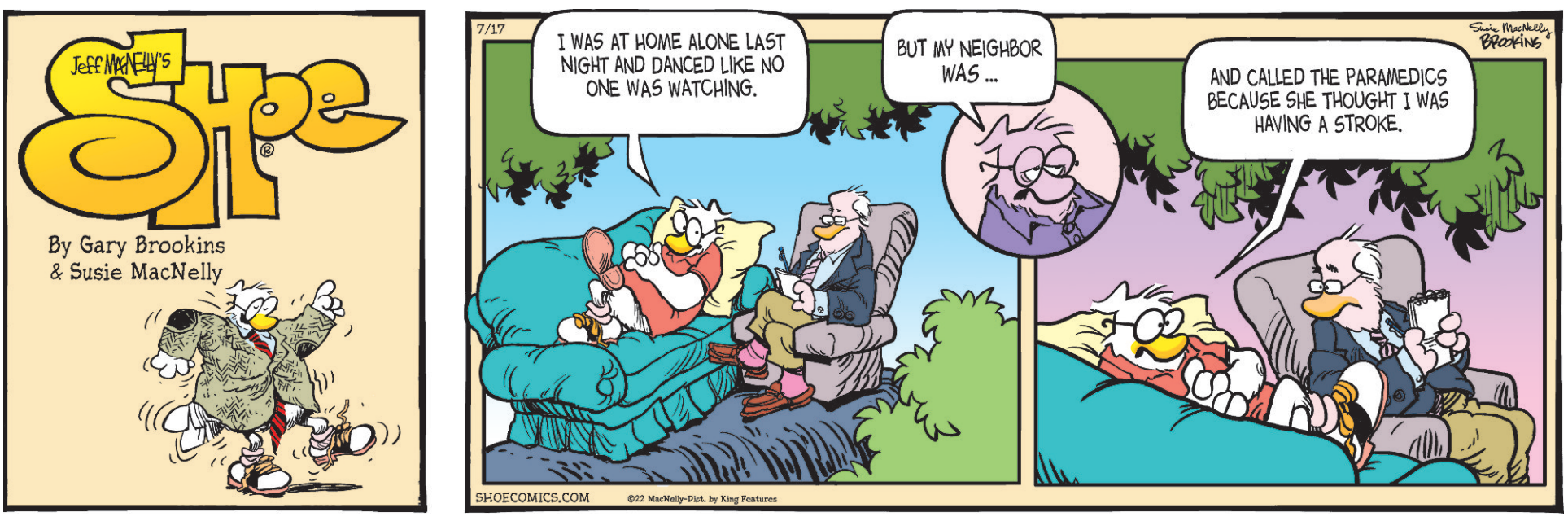
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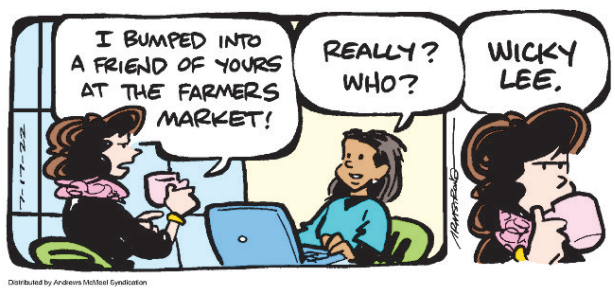
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REALLY? WHO?
WICKY LEE.
OH MY! HOW IS WICKY DOING?
GREAT! HE RETIRED FROM THE MEDICAL FIELD.
PAVILION
WICKY RETIRED? HE LOVED BEING A NURSE!
-NOT DURING COVID! WICKY IS A HARDCORE BIKER NOW.
OMG! HE USED TO KID AROUND, SAYING HE WOULD DO THAT SOMEDAY!
HERE'S HIS CARD, IF YOU EVER WANT TO SING KARAOKE AT HIS NEW BIKER BAR.
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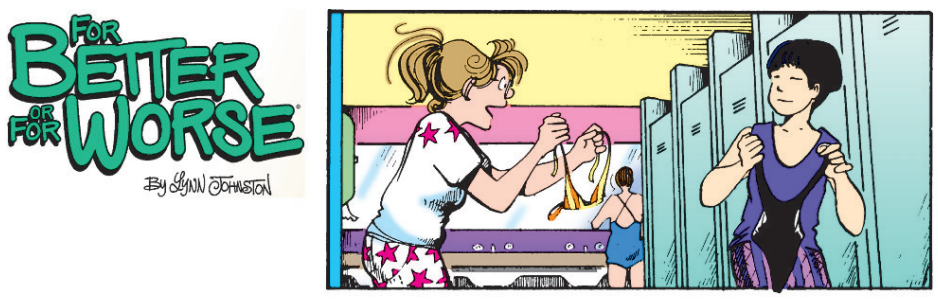
FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

By Lynn Johnston



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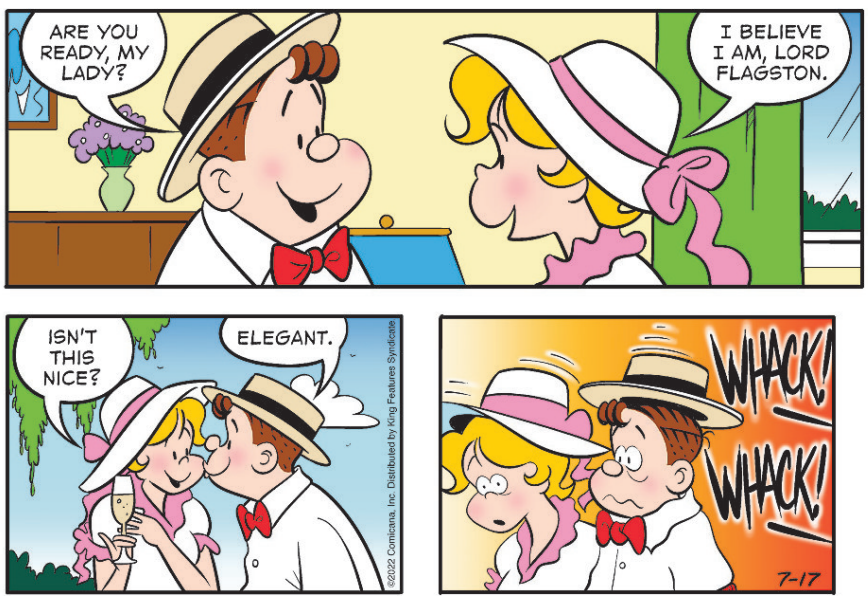

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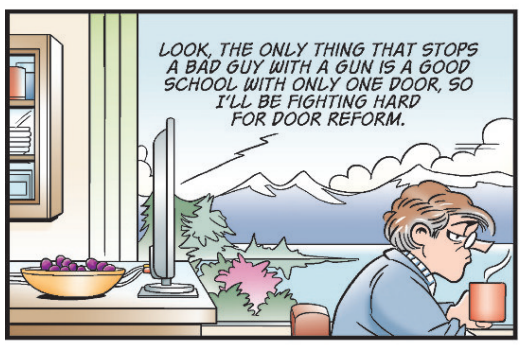
LOOK, THE ONLY THING THAT STOPS A BAD GUY WITH A GUN IS A GOOD SCHOOL WITH ONLY ONE DOOR, SO I'LL BE FIGHTING HARD FOR DOOR REFORM.
SENATOR CRUZ, DO YOU...
SURE, THE PRO-DOOR ELITES WILL COME AFTER ME, BUT I'M USED TO TOUGH FIGHTS...
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I'VE GONE TOE-TO-TOE WITH DR. SEUSS! I'VE CALLED OUT MICKEY AND PLUTO...

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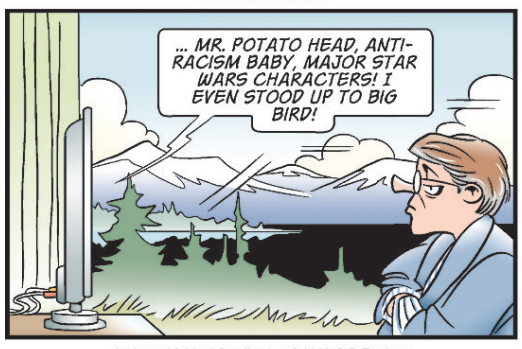

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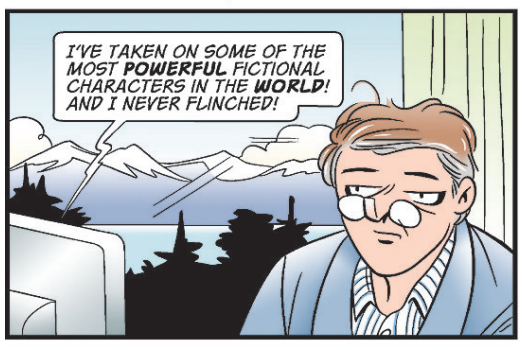

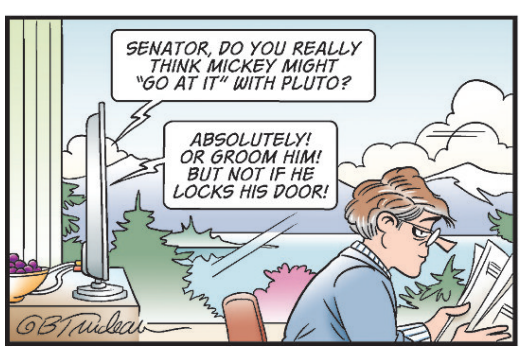
SENATOR, DO YOU REALLY THINK MICKEY MIGHT "GO AT IT" WITH PLUTO?
ABSOLUTELY! OR GROOM HIM! BUT NOT IF HE LOCKS HIS DOOR!
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FRAZZ

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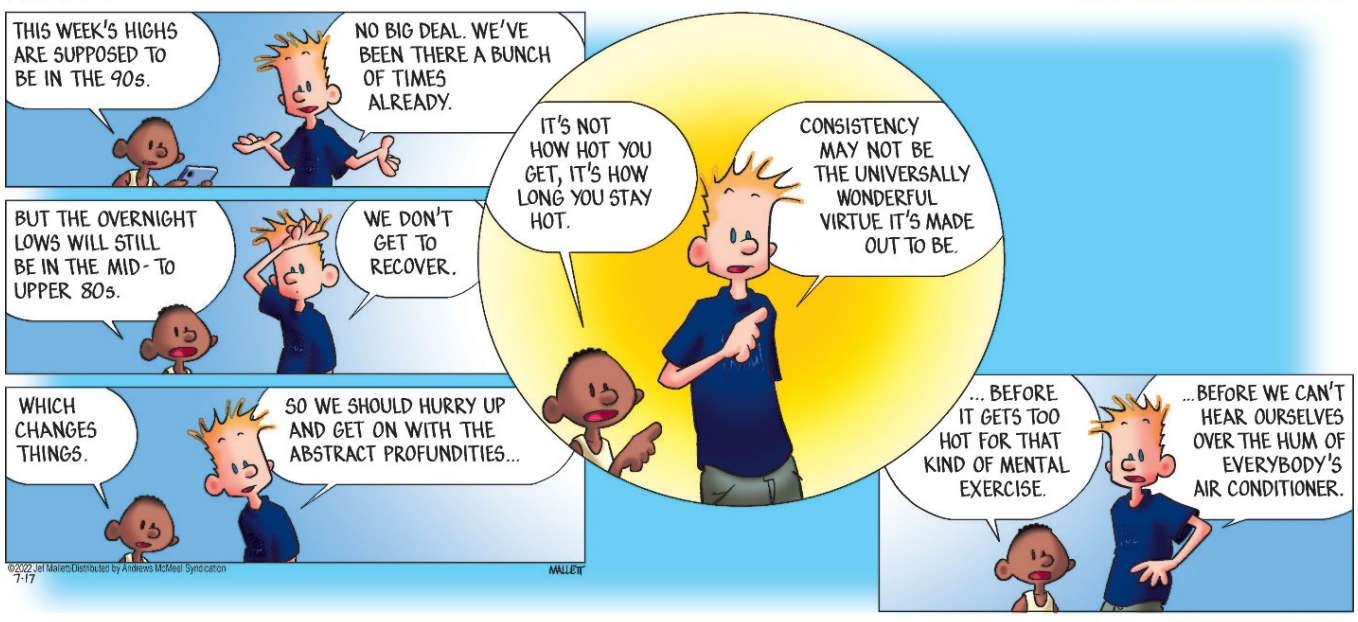
THIS WEEK'S HIGHS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE 90s.
NO BIG DEAL. WE'VE BEEN THERE A BUNCH OF TIMES ALREADY.
BUT THE OVERNIGHT LOWS WILL STILL BE IN THE MID-TO UPPER 80s.
WE DON'T GET TO RECOVER.
WHICH CHANGES THINGS.
SO WE SHOULD HURRY UP AND GET ON WITH THE ABSTRACT PROFUNDITIES...
IT'S NOT HOW HOT YOU GET, IT'S HOW LONG YOU STAY HOT.
CONSISTENCY MAY NOT BE THE UNIVERSALLY WONDERFUL VIRTUE IT'S MADE OUT TO BE.
... BEFORE IT GETS TOO HOT FOR THAT KIND OF MENTAL EXERCISE.
...BEFORE WE CAN'T HEAR OURSELVES OVER THE HUM OF EVERYBODY'S AIR CONDITIONER.
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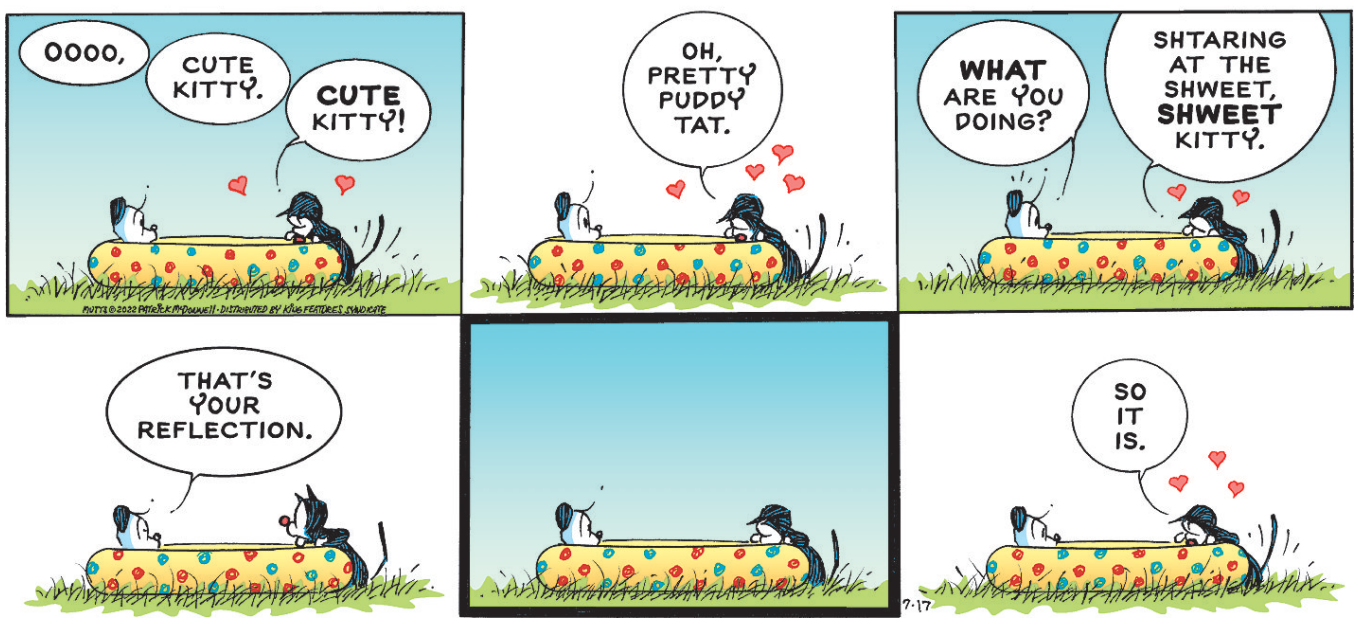

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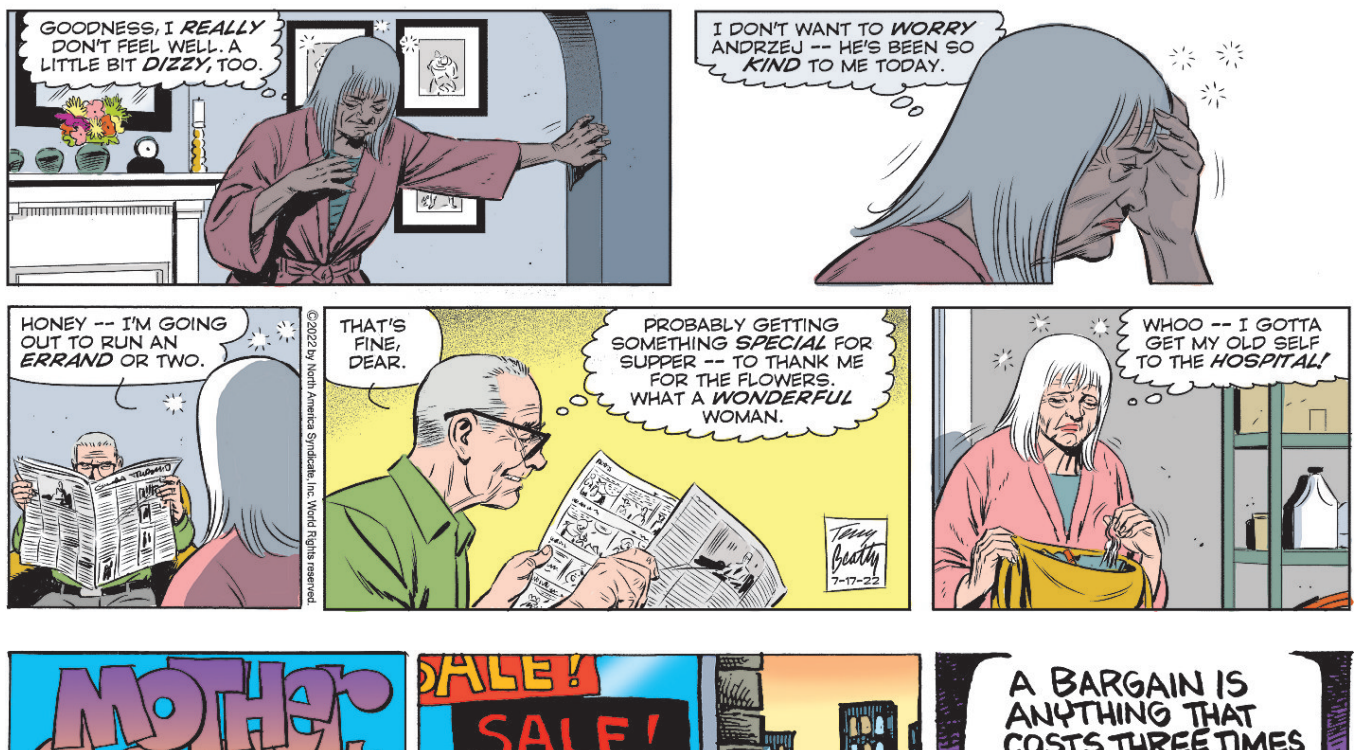
GOODNESS, I REALLY DON'T FEEL WELL. A LITTLE BIT DIZZY, TOO.
I DON'T WANT TO WORRY ANDRZEJ -- HE'S BEEN SO KIND TO ME TODAY.
HONEY -- I'M GOING OUT TO RUN AN ERRAND OR TWO.
THAT'S FINE, DEAR.
PROBABLY GETTING SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR SUPPER -- TO THANK ME FOR THE FLOWERS. WHAT A WONDERFUL WOMAN.
Terry Beatty
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WHOO -- I GOTTA GET MY OLD SELF TO THE HOSPITAL!

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

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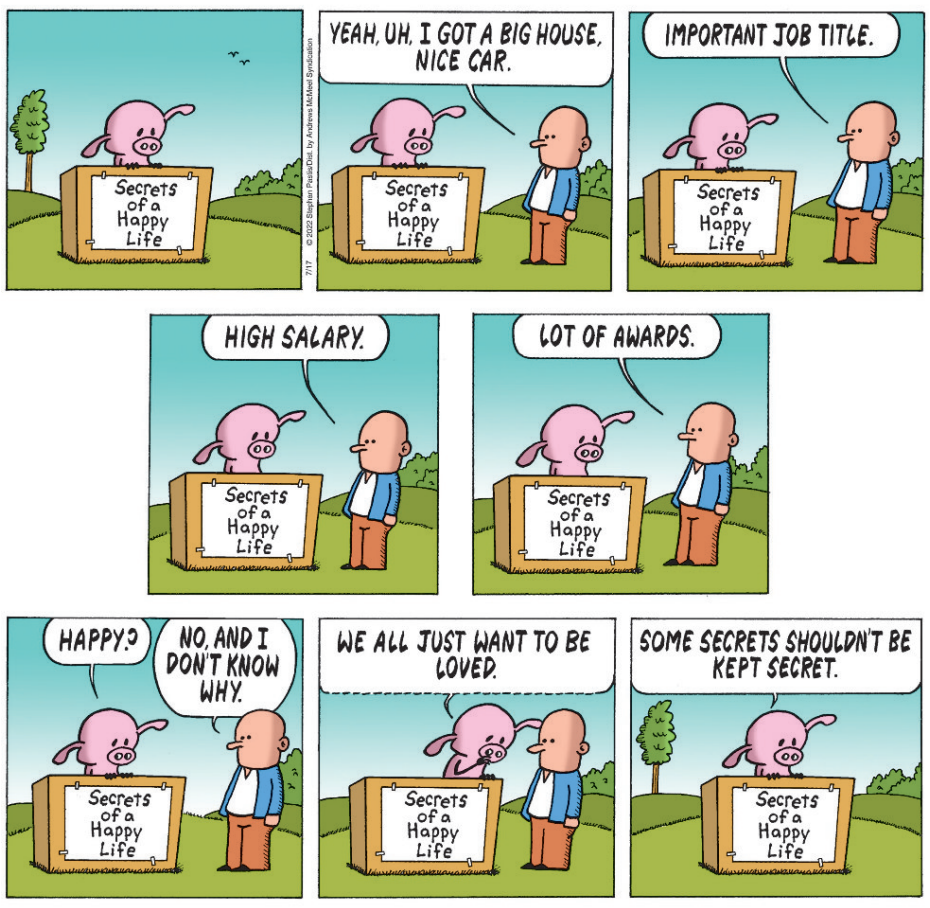
Secrets of a Happy Life
YEAH, UH, I GOT A BIG HOUSE, NICE CAR.
IMPORTANT JOB TITLE.
HIGH SALARY.
LOT OF AWARDS.
HAPPY?
NO, AND I DON'T KNOW WHY.
WE ALL JUST WANT TO BE LOVED.
SOME SECRETS SHOULDN'T BE KEPT SECRET.
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ROSE IS ROSE

By Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

JIMBO! PHONE CALL!
WHO IS IT?
JIMBO!
DAD!
HOW ARE YOU?
ROSE...WOULD YOU MIND HOLDING THIS FOR ME?
NOT AT ALL!
REALLY! YOU'VE BEEN TRYING TO CATCH THAT OLD BASS FOR YEARS!
I DON'T KNOW THE "GARBAGE MOMENT" RULES..
DID YOU THROW IT BACK?
BUT WE HAVE A LAST-MINUTE SUBSTITUTION!
HA! I KNEW YOU WOULD!
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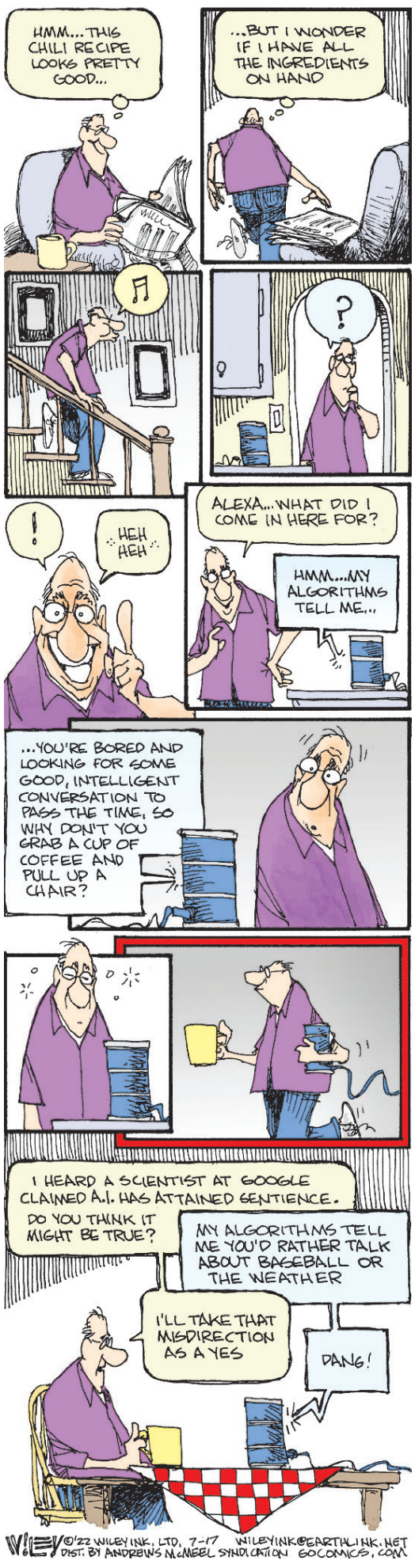
HMM... THIS CHILI RECIPE LOOKS PRETTY GOOD...
...BUT I WONDER IF I HAVE ALL THE INGREDIENTS ON HAND
HEH HEH
ALEXA... WHAT DID I COME IN HERE FOR?
HMM... MY ALGORITHMS TELL ME...
...YOU'RE BORED AND LOOKING FOR SOME GOOD, INTELLIGENT CONVERSATION TO PASS THE TIME, SO WHY DON'T YOU GRAB A CUP OF COFFEE AND PULL UP A CHAIR?
I HEARD A SCIENTIST AT GOOGLE CLAIMED A.I. HAS ATTAINED SENTIENCE.
DO YOU THINK IT MIGHT BE TRUE?
MY ALGORITHMS TELL ME YOU'D RATHER TALK ABOUT BASEBALL OR THE WEATHER
I'LL TAKE THAT MISDIRECTION AS A YES
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FoxTrot

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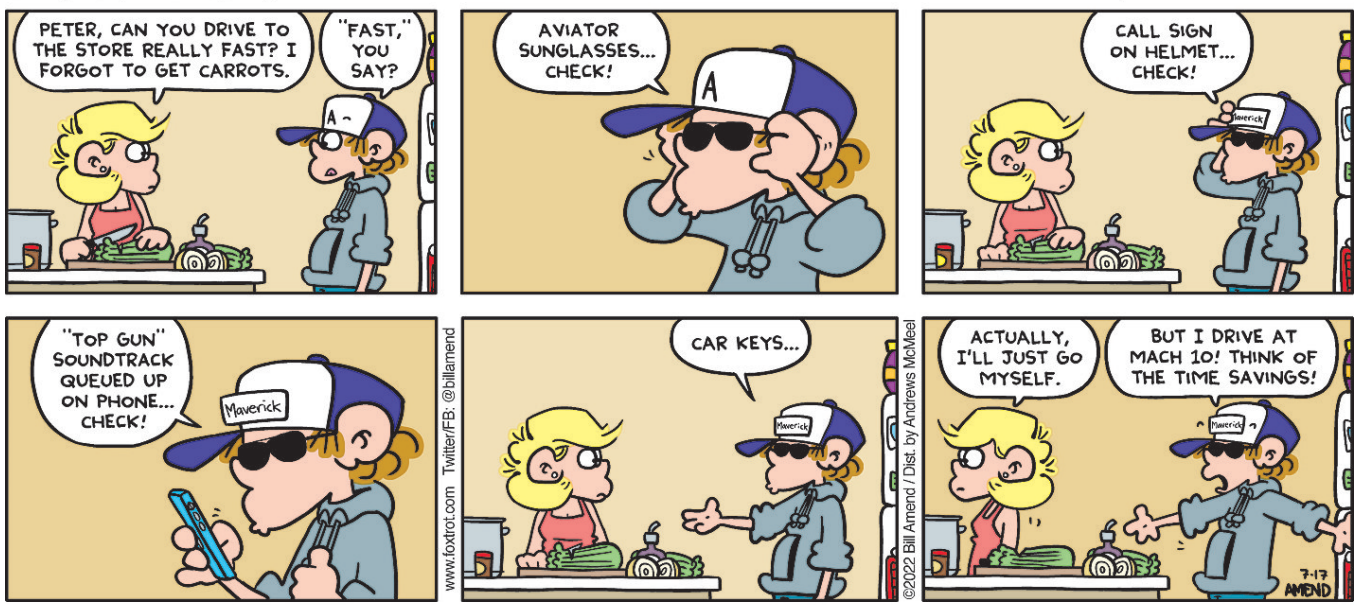
PETER, CAN YOU DRIVE TO THE STORE REALLY FAST? I FORGOT TO GET CARROTS.
"FAST," YOU SAY?
AVIATOR SUNGLASSES... CHECK!
CALL SIGN ON HELMET... CHECK!
"TOP GUN" SOUNDTRACK QUEUED UP ON PHONE... CHECK!
CAR KEYS...
ACTUALLY, I'LL JUST GO MYSELF.
BUT I DRIVE AT MACH 10! THINK OF THE TIME SAVINGS!
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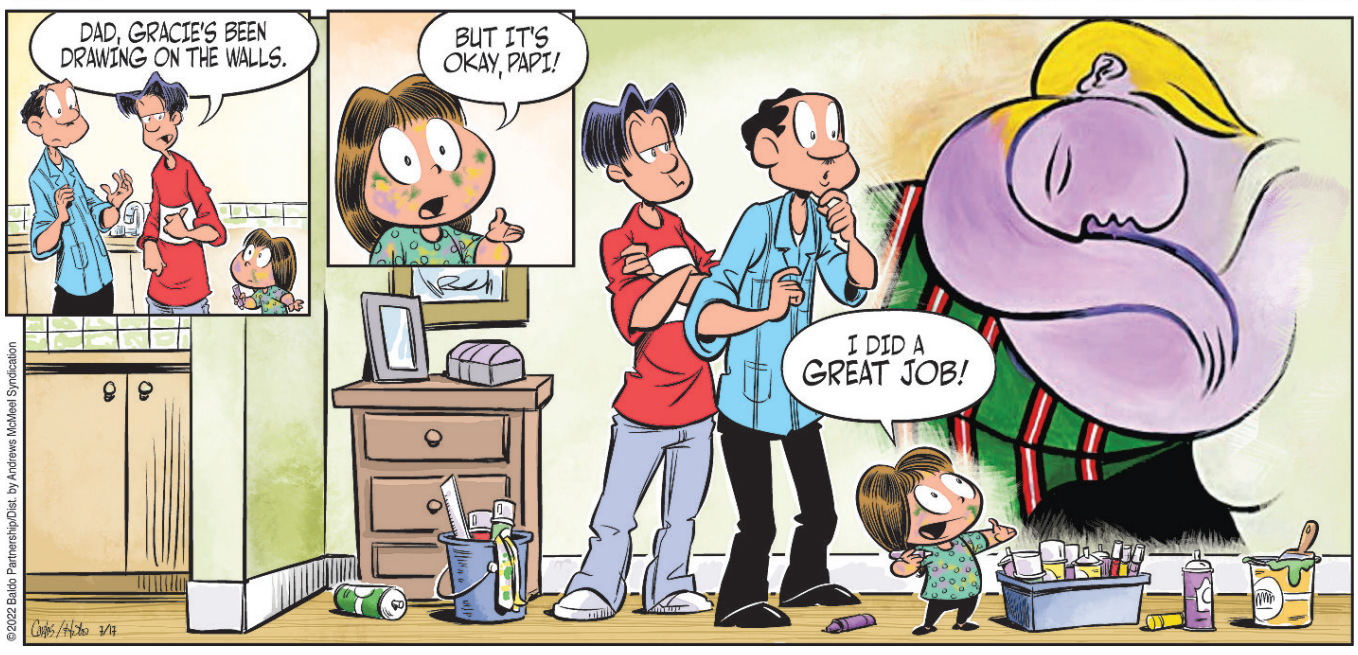
DAD, GRACIE'S BEEN DRAWING ON THE WALLS.
BUT IT'S OKAY, PAPI!
I DID A GREAT JOB!
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HAL FOSTER'S
Prince Valiant
BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES
PRINCE VALIANT AND AMBASSADOR AMBELU HAVE LITTLE IN COMMON, SAVE A SHARED DISAPPOINTMENT IN THEIR YOUNGEST CHILDREN. OVER BOWLS OF QUAWAH, AMBELU BEMOANS: "THE LACK OF RESPECT TO TRADITION AMONG YEWUBAR'S GENERATION OF GIRLS!
"IT HAS BECOME EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO GUIDE THEM THROUGH THE DUTIES THAT ARE TO BE EXPECTED!
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"...AND SEBEL CAN TELL YOU..." AMBELU'S WIFE DOES NOT HESITATE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE: "I THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME TO SPEAK, MY HUSBAND! YOU ARE WISE TO ALLOW ME TO REMIND YOU, BEFORE YOU SAY SOMETHING YOU MIGHT REGRET...
"... THAT IT WAS THIS SAME DISAPPOINTMENT WITH THE TENDENCIES OF AB'SABA'S YOUNG QUEEN MAKEDA THAT LED YOU TO INSURRECTION, AND OUR CURRENT EXILE IN THIS FAR, OVERCAST LAND."
UPON LEAVING THE PAVILION, AMBELU WHISPERS CONSPIRATORIALLY: "SEBEL IS A SHARP AND VALUED ADVISER, BUT SHE IS ALSO ADEPT AT TRAPPING ME WITH MY OWN WORDS. BETWEEN YOU AND ME, THAT IS WHY I KEEP MY CHAMBERS APART, IN YOUR HOUSE." AND VAL NOTES HOW MUCH ALETA SEEMS TO ENJOY SPENDING TIME WITH SEBEL.
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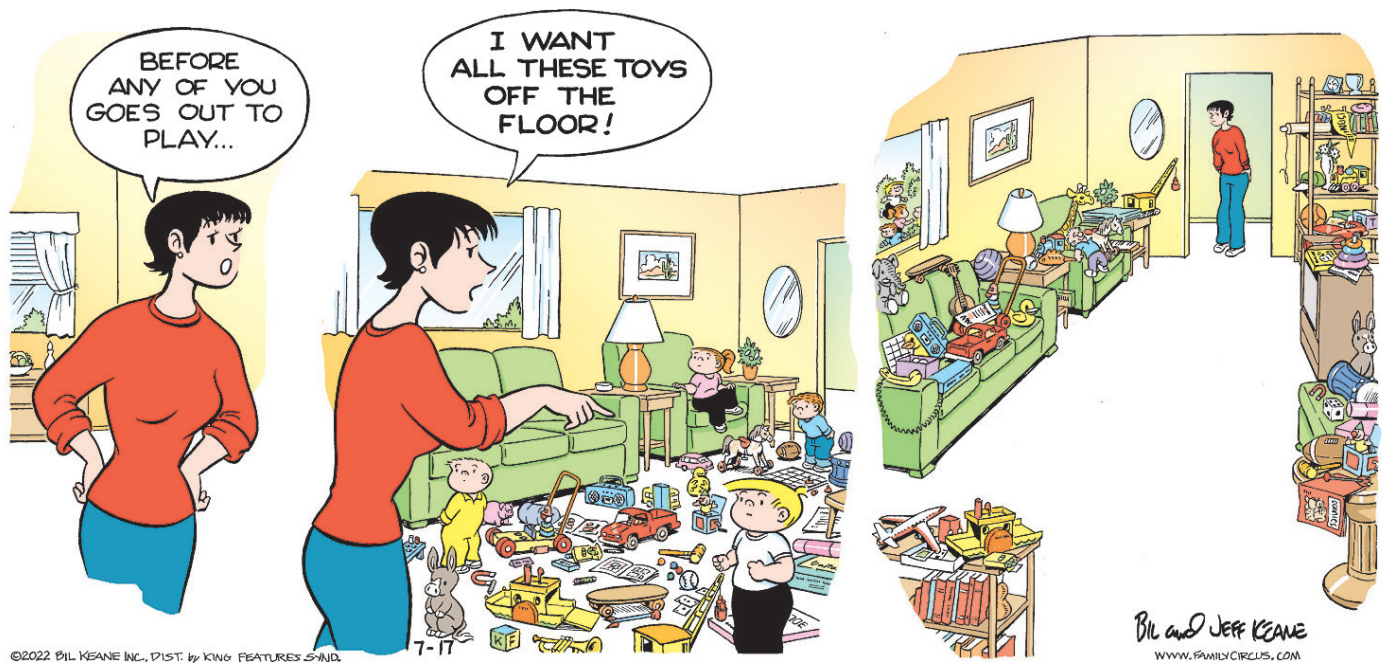
Animal attraction

The FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane


BEFORE ANY OF YOU GOES OUT TO PLAY...
I WANT ALL THESE TOYS OFF THE FLOOR!
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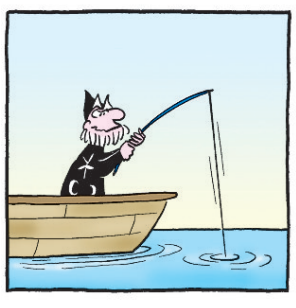

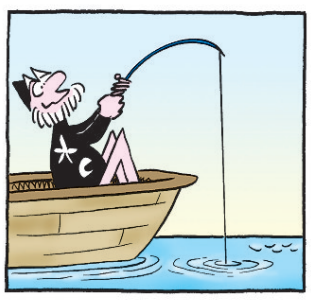

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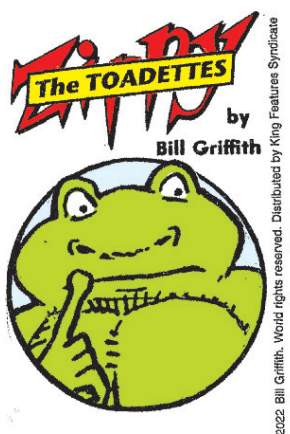

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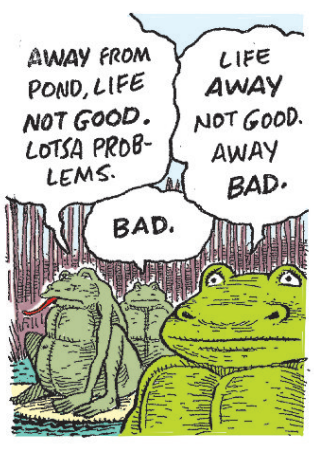

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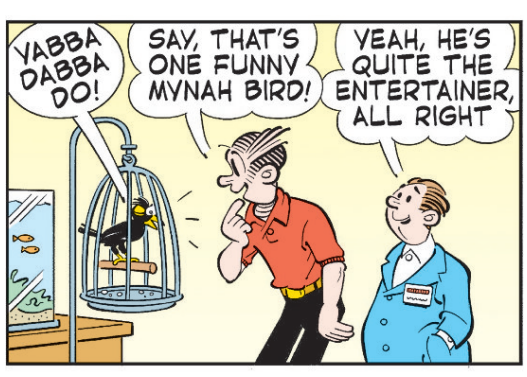

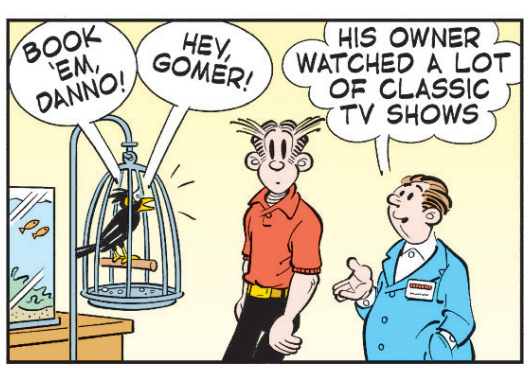

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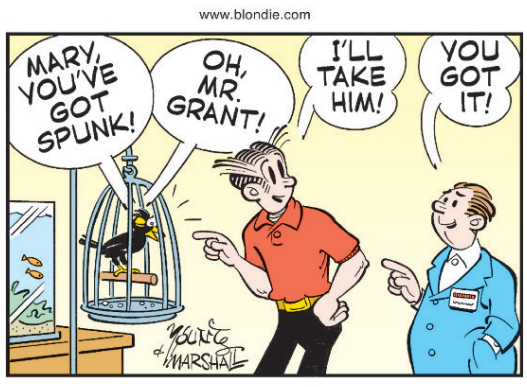

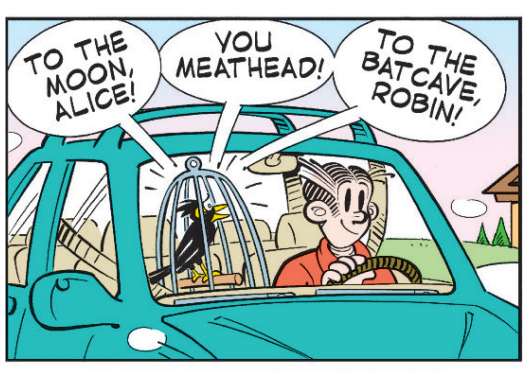

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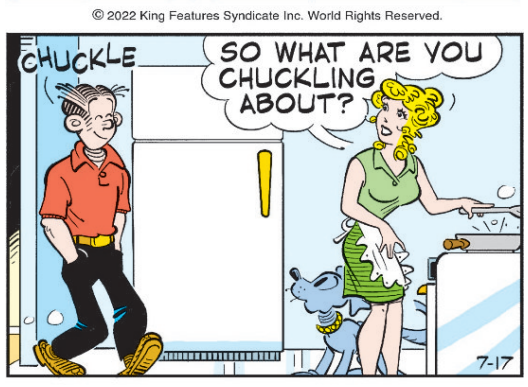

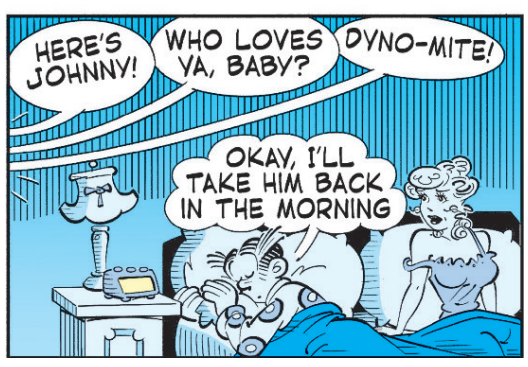

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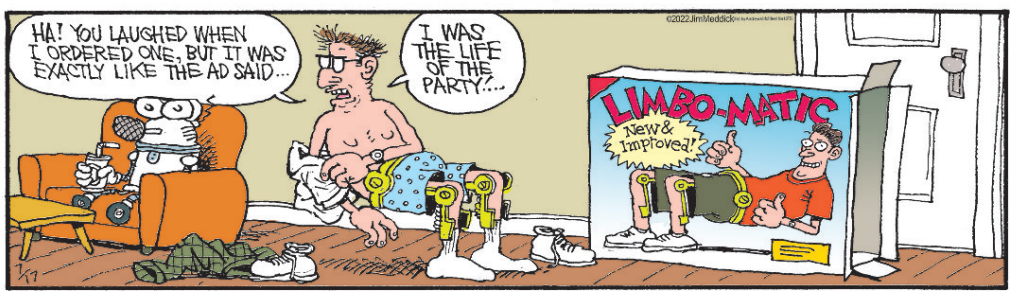
HA! YOU LAUGHED WHEN I ORDERED ONE, BUT IT WAS EXACTLY LIKE THE AD SAID...
I WAS THE LIFE OF THE PARTY...
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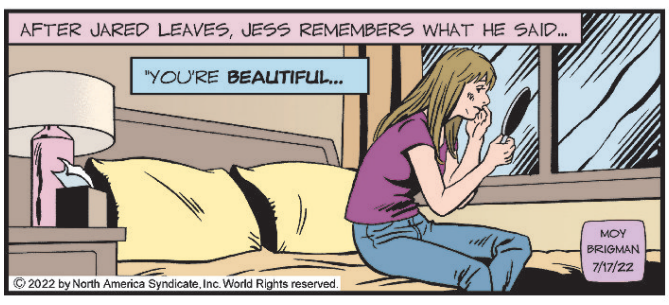
AFTER JARED LEAVES, JESS REMEMBERS WHAT HE SAID...
"YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL...
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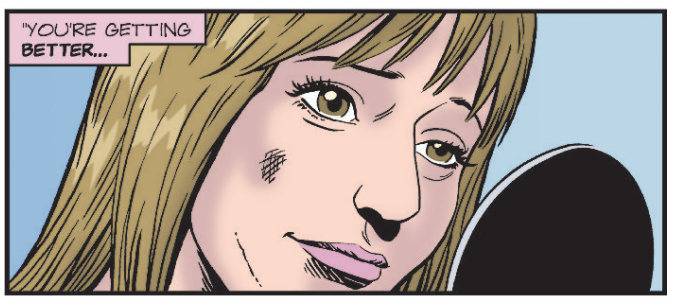

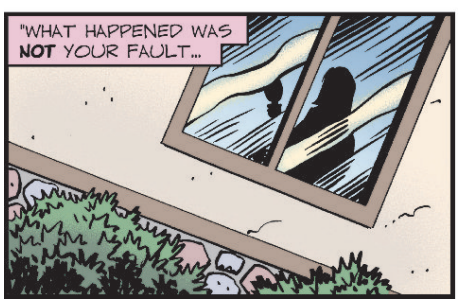

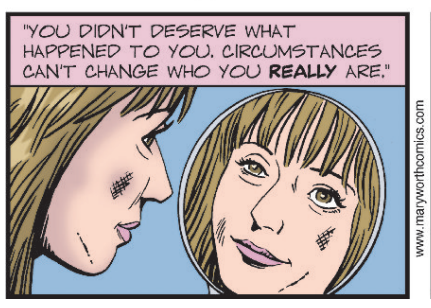

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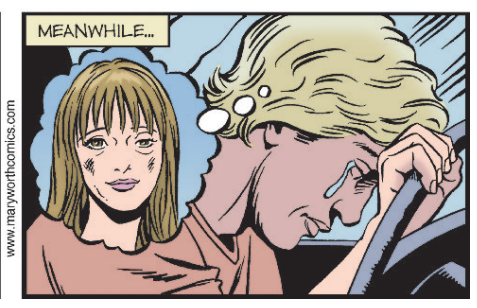

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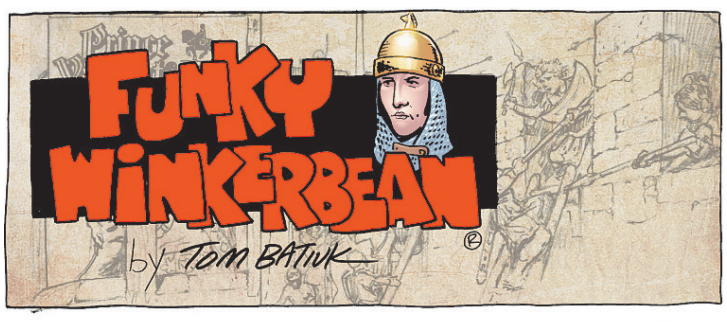

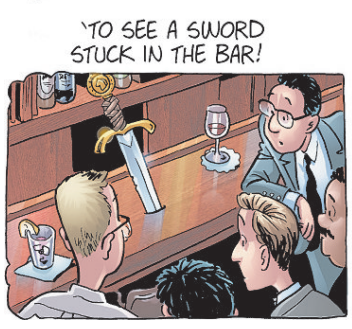

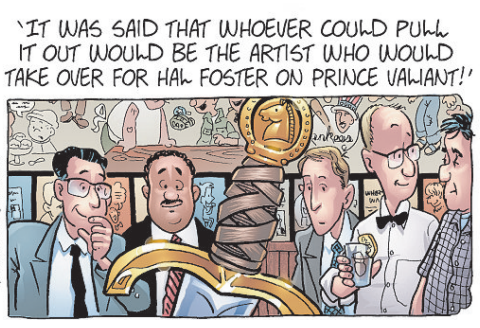

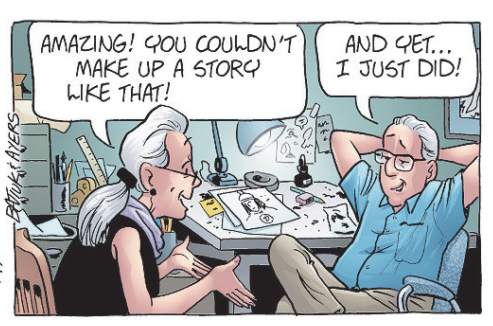

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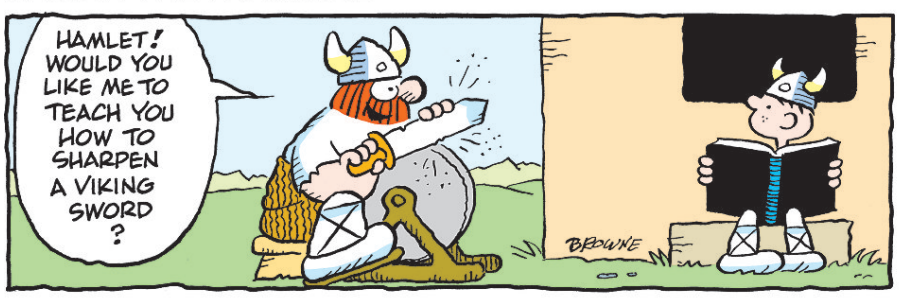

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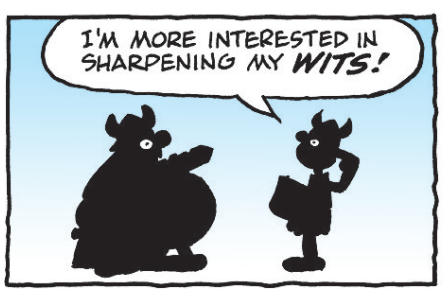

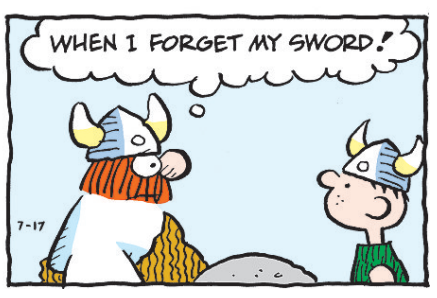

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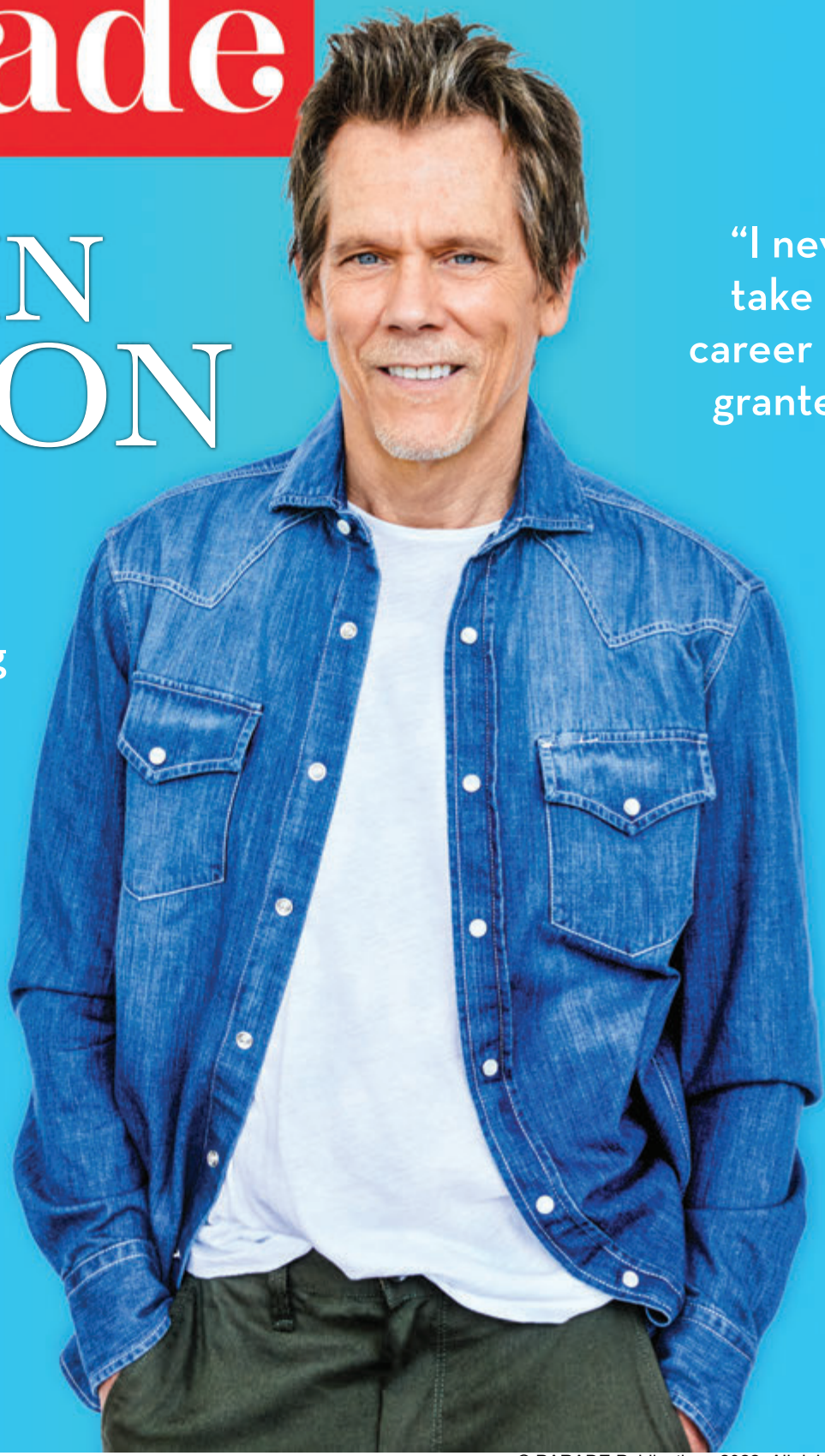

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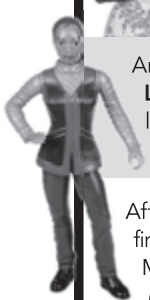
ALL ABOUT ALFRE

The espionage thriller *The Gray Man* (July 22 on Netflix) features a star-studded cast, including Chris Evans, Ryan Gosling, Ana de Armas, Billy Bob Thornton and **Alfre Woodard**. Here are some fun facts about the Emmy-winning, Oscar-nominated actress with nearly 130 movie and TV credits, who plays the accomplice of a CIA agent turned assassin (Gosling).

Born in 1952, she was named by her godmother, who claimed she saw a vision of Alfre's name written in gold letters.

She was active in cheerleading and track at Bishop Kelley High, a private Catholic school in Tulsa, Okla.

Woodard has been nominated for 17 **Emmys** and has four wins, for *Hill Street Blues* (1984), *L.A. Law* (1987), *Miss Evers' Boys* (1997) and *The Practice* (2003).



An action figure of her character, **Lily Sloane**, was among the collectibles marketed for the release of *Star Trek: First Contact* (1996).

After playing former South African first lady Winnie Mandela in ***Mandela***, she founded Artists for a New South Africa for the advancement of democracy and equality.

WALTER SCOTT ASKS...

TIM MATHESON

The star of *National Lampoon's Animal House* and *The West Wing* returns for the fourth season of the small-town drama *Virgin River* (July 20 on Netflix). As Dr. Vernon Mullins, Matheson, 74, deals with his newly discovered grandson, a new doc at his clinic, the pregnancy of Mel (Alexandra Breckenridge) and the effects of a brain injury on Hope (Annette O'Toole).

How do you explain the tremendous popularity of *Virgin River*? At the center of everything is Alexandra Breckenridge as Melinda; she's the heart of the show. I think *Virgin River* is one of those places where everybody thinks, *If I go to that small town, it's going to be great*, and then you find out not so much.

What are Doc's biggest challenges now? It's Hope's health. And it's dealing with this grandson who's come into his life, and opened feelings about this woman who was a girlfriend for a minute, and a son he probably had, who passed away and he never got to meet. So it's unlocked a lot of old wounds.

What is it about you and doctors? I love playing a doctor. Now that I think about it, I've been playing a doctor since I was in my mid-20s, when I did a series with Kurt Russell called *The Quest* back in 1976. That was my first doctor, then *Animal House*, of course; Eric Stratton became a gynecologist in Beverly Hills. So it's been something I've gravitated toward.

You've said that you reinvent yourself every five to seven years. Is that the key to your success? There's the old joke, "Who is Tim Matheson? . . . Get me Tim Matheson . . . Get me someone like Tim Matheson . . . Who's Tim Matheson?" That's the span of your career, so if you keep mixing it up, you don't get stuck.

Is there something other than acting and directing that you're passionate about? My wife and I have been finishing a house that we built in the Hollywood Hills.

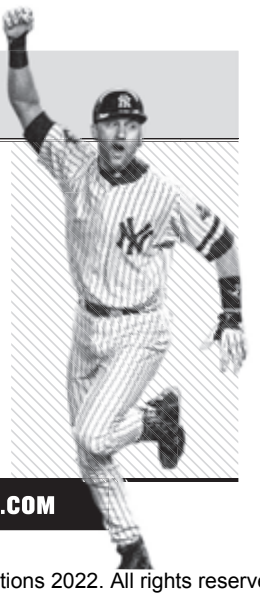
What did he learn from working with director Steven Spielberg?
Go to ***Parade.com/matheson*** to find out.

SMALL-TOWN SCARES

Writer-director Jordan Peele is back with his latest horror flick, *Nope* (July 22 in theaters)—with the star of the breakout horror hit *Get Out*, **Daniel Kaluuya**, 33, once again his leading man. In fact, he wrote *Nope* with Kaluuya in mind for the role of ranch owner James Haywood, who witnesses an abnormal event in a small California town. "Daniel's craft is on a different level, but his warmth grounds audiences even during points of absolute madness," says Peele, 43. "You may be watching a nightmare, but when he's onscreen, at least you've got your brother with you."

PLAY BALL!

The seven-part documentary series *The Captain* (July 18 on ESPN and ESPN+) delves into the life of baseball superstar **Derek Jeter**, 48, a Hall of Fame shortstop who spent his entire 20-year MLB career with the New York Yankees. But the series is about more than just Jeter's time on the ball field; it's a larger cultural story that explores race, family and community, told through the prism of a little boy whose childhood dream was always to wear Yankee pinstripes. "I did it the best way I knew how," says Jeter, who admits his life took some wild, surprising turns he never could have imagined—like being the captain of a team that would win the World Series five times.



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Summery Seafood

This appetizer, from the cookbook ***Shellfish*** by Cynthia Nims, is a refreshing update on a classic seafood cocktail. The sauce is lighter than the traditional ketchupy sauce, while the flavors of a bloody mary lend it a nice zip.

BLOODY MARY LOBSTER COCKTAIL

This also works well with cooked shrimp or crab. Can't find endive? Use shredded romaine or other lettuce as a base.

In a medium bowl, combine ¼ cup **tomato juice**; 2 Tbsp minced celery; 1 Tbsp **fresh lemon juice**; 1 tsp **horseradish**, freshly grated or prepared; ¼ tsp **Worcestershire sauce**; and ⅛ tsp **celery seed**. Add **kosher salt** to taste.

Working with 8 oz **cooked lobster**, remove vein from tail meat, if needed. Thinly slice tail crosswise; cut other lobster meat into about a ½-inch dice. Discard any bits of shell or cartilage.

Core and thinly slice 1 large or 2 small heads **Belgian endive** (for about 1 cup lightly packed). Divide among 4 small dishes, spreading it out evenly. Arrange lobster over endive; drizzle with tomato juice mixture. Garnish each serving with a **lemon wedge**. Serve immediately. **Serves 4**.

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Ask Marilyn

By Marilyn vos Savant

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—Joe Zagara, Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

Hard water often has an unpleasant taste, hampers the ability of soaps to dissolve and can cause scaling in pipes. Yet so many of us have grown up with it that we conflate the pleasure of cleanliness with the result of bathing in hard water: feeling "squeaky clean." But the "squeak" is caused by a film of soap curd—the same residue that accumulates on our shower walls. When we switch to soft water and the squeaky feeling disappears, we think the soap isn't rinsing off. But the opposite is the case. The lack of "squeak" means the soap curd is gone, and the soft feeling is hydrated skin.

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KEVIN BACON

THE *CITY ON A HILL* ACTOR TALKS TO *PARADE* ABOUT HIS FAMILY, THE JOY OF PLAYING A BAD GUY AND WHY HE'S NEVER GOTTEN AN OSCAR.

By **MARA REINSTEIN**

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Fear not, Kevin Bacon will gamely field your questions about *Footloose* and that "Six Degrees" trivia game, as well as about his marriage to actress Kyra Sedgwick. But to *really* get him talking with a smile, ask him about the goats.

He gifted Sedgwick with Macon and Louie to celebrate the couple's 32nd wedding anniversary, and he regularly serenades the goats with his guitar. "They're doing great!" he says, adding that the pair reside on the couple's farm in rural Connecticut along with two additional goats, two pigs, two alpacas and three miniature horses. "It's off-brand because I'm a city kid. But I'm an animal person," he says. "I find them calming as I get older."

Bacon is 64. And though he doesn't look it in his boyish jeans, plaid button-down shirt and boots on this summer afternoon, that age is the proud marker of a career that spans more than 40 years—and more than 100 film and TV roles. He's done it all, from teen comedy (*National Lampoon's Animal House*) and campy horror *(Friday the 13th*, *Tremors*) to smash dramas (*A Few Good Men*, *Apollo 13*) and comic book action (*X-Men: First Class*). No wonder Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon, the game that challenges players to connect the star with other celebrities—using the fewest collaborative projects as possible—was created in his honor.

Bacon is in his third season of the gritty crime-drama *City on a Hill* (premiering July 31 on Showtime). He plays Jackie Rohr, a corrupt former FBI agent who's not above cutting corners—or drinking, doing drugs and cheating on his wife (Jill Hennessy). Last seen throwing his badge into Boston Harbor, Jackie now works in private security for his shady former boss (Corbin Bernsen of *Psych* and *Major League* fame). "My character comes up against very disturbing things that test his moral compass," says Bacon, who's also an executive producer of the series.

Jackie is a dyed-in-the-wool Boston guy; Bacon is all New York City, having moved there from his native Philadelphia as a teenager. He and Sedgwick (who starred in the TNT series *The Closer*), 56, raised their family on Manhattan's Upper West Side. Their son, Travis, 33, is a touring rocker; daughter Sosie, 30, is an actress, recently seen in the HBO hit *Mare of Easttown.*

I NEVER TAKE MY CAREER FOR GRANTED. It took me a very, very long time to learn how to say no to things because I always think my next gig will be my last. **I CAN'T SHAKE THAT FEELING.**

Ever busy and always looking forward, Bacon also recently released new music with his older brother, Michael (they record and perform as the Bacon Brothers), and has four new films in the pipeline. On a late afternoon in New York City, he talks to *Parade* about his career, marriage and the movies he hoped would be his big breaks . . . but weren't.

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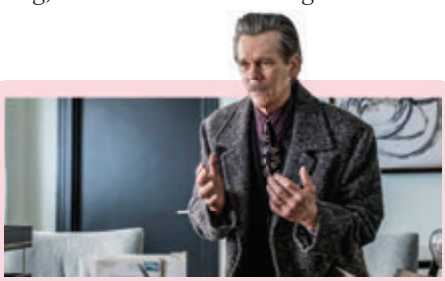
Are you the kind of actor who likes to revisit his career? No. The only time I look back is when I do interviews! I don't have a rearview mirror. I don't go back and watch my movies. I don't collect memorabilia and don't have any news clippings.

Do you take something from the set? I think I have a need to let a character go. A lot of people will keep their wardrobe, but I don't, because it's not me; it belongs to this "other man."

Which good-guy characters have you liked portraying? Well, even though he was on the other side of the hero in terms of the trial, I think the character [prosecutor Jack Ross] in *A Few Good Men* was a good man. It wasn't a traditional good guy versus bad guy thing, but he was an interesting character.



Is it fun to play *City on a Hill*'s Jackie Rohr, who is so morally compromised? When you first become an actor, you start to judge your roles based on the number of words you have. After a while, you know that's not really it. I did quite a few things in a row where I was trying to explore what I could do with less lines. With Jackie, here's a voice that I heard right away. People think that because a character's a bad guy, it's more fun. I don't believe that. What makes it fun is complexity, showing up and doing something that I haven't done. It's all about walking in someone else's shoes.

What do you remember about *A Few Good Men*'s epic "You can't handle the truth!" courtroom scene with Jack Nicholson? It was amazing, and a great lesson for all actors. We had to shoot it many times to get the reactions of everyone in the room. Jack came incredibly well-prepared and did that fantastic speech multiple times, and it just got better and better. And then the camera turned around to shoot me and Tom [Cruise] and Demi [Moore]. He just kept delivering it, but once he was off-camera, the hair started to get wild, and he unbuttoned his uniform and took off the tie. He was a little bit more Jack.

Let's go back even further: What did your city planner dad and teacher mom think of you coming to New York City at age 17? I'm the youngest of six, so I'm not sure they noticed! They were so fine with it. You know, my dad was a World War II vet. He was born in 1910. By the time I was born, they were not strict with me. When I told them that I wasn't going to college, they could not have cared less. They weren't focused on making money. They encouraged all of us to be creative and be good humans. We're all a little bit artistic.

How excited were you to land the role of a snotty fraternity pledge in *Animal House* so soon into your career? So many things about that experience were new for me. I couldn't have guessed it would be such a phenomenon, but it wasn't the breakout for me that I thought it was going to be. I had to go back to New York and work as a waiter and a busboy. I did a soap opera [*Guiding Light*] and became pretty entrenched in the off-Broadway scene and did a lot of theater. To tell you the truth,

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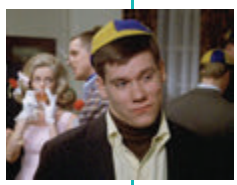

Bacon was a 19-year-old acting school student when he got cast as fraternity pledge Chip Diller in the raucous comedy ***NATIONAL LAMPOON'S ANIMAL HOUSE*** (1978). He admits he didn't quite fit in with boisterous co-stars John Belushi and Bruce McGill on the Oregon set. Bacon recently reunited with ***DINER*** (1982) co-stars Tim Daly, Paul Reiser and Steve Guttenberg to mark the film's 40th anniversary. "It was awesome," he says. ***FOOTLOOSE*** (1984) is "probably the number one film fans want to talk to me about," he says. Bacon played Capt. Jack Ross in ***A FEW GOOD MEN*** (1992) and real-life astronaut Jack Swigert in the intense smash ***APOLLO 13*** (1995) from director Ron Howard. Bacon says he's "very proud" of his work

in the Clint Eastwood–directed ***MYSTIC RIVER*** (2003). Co-stars Sean Penn and Tim Robbins picked up Oscars for their roles. Coming up: The quirky indie *Space Oddity* (2022)—directed by wife Kyra Sedgwick. "It's funny, romantic and it has a serious message about climate change," he says.

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[the 1982 film] *Diner* didn't do anything for me either. It was a critical success, but it wasn't a hit. It wasn't *Footloose.*

Speaking of *Footloose*, did you think it seemed a little silly on paper when you first read the script? Listen, I was happy to be getting a gig. I wasn't looking a gift horse in the mouth. But did I think it was going to be what it was? No. And the other thing is that the producers told me it was going to be a musical. I said, "This is *not* a musical." It wasn't *Mary Poppins* or *The King and I*. But they said we would be dancing to pop songs, which was a new idea at the time. When they mentioned the choreographer, I told them I didn't need one. I said, "I really love to dance, and I'll just dance around, and you turn on the camera." I had no idea the extent of what the dancing would be!

When did you first meet Kyra? She was 12. I was 19 and at [New York City's] Cherry Lane Theatre downtown doing a play. Her mom was a theater fan and had seen me in three or four plays and told her, "You should go see this actor. He's good and I'm going to get you tickets." So she went to a matinee with her brother and then went to a deli. I was there getting a sandwich before the evening show and [her brother] said, "That's the actor! Go talk to him." She walked up and said, "Hi, you were good in that play." We reconnected years later [doing the 1988 TV movie *Lemon Sky*].

Who best remembered that fateful encounter? She did.

Why don't you work together more often? We like to collaborate. Usually we're directing each other. She's a great filmmaker. As a producer, she's also found material for me to direct. In terms of acting, I'll tell you a story. I was in a small [2004] movie called *The Woodsman* [about a convicted child molester returning to his hometown], and she played sort of my love interest. Two weeks before filming, she had a crisis of conscience and wanted to pull out. She was like, "[Knowing we are married is] going to take people out of the film." I told her, "You can't do that." She also had been cast first! [Sedgwick remained in the film.]

Surely, you're often asked about the secret to a successful marriage. Does the answer change by the decade? It's a hard thing to answer. If you look at the statistics, nobody stays married, and nobody has ever proved to me that it's any harder if you're famous just because you're doing kissing scenes. All I know is that we still enjoy our time together.

Did you discourage your kids from entering the family business? I didn't specifically sit them down and say, "Please do *anything* else." For our son, that ship had sailed from the time he was a very little boy; he played and sang and breathed music. We were really surprised when our daughter wanted to be an actor. She was more academic. Then at the beginning of her sophomore year, she packed up her car and her dog and came home and said she was going to be an actor. And we were like, "OK."

Why did she change her mind? I think she must have gotten the message that from the outside, [an acting career] can glow with possibilities. But on the inside? [As her parents, we knew] there's a real lack of stability and

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Favorite childhood movie *House of Wax.* "The [1953] one in 3D with Vincent Price."

Last binged TV series *The Staircase.* "It's with my buddy Colin [Firth]. He's so good in it."

BOOK ON THE NIGHTSTAND "I'm not much of a reader, but the last book I found fascinating was ***COLORIZATION*** [by Wil Haygood]. It's an in-depth look at the history of African Americans in cinema, from *Birth of a Nation* to Spike Lee."

On growing up in Philadelphia "From the time I was 6 until I was 17, I could be out playing and then just come home with my own key. My friends and I never had to be driven anywhere."

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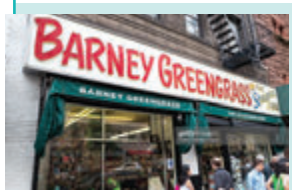

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Favorite sad song
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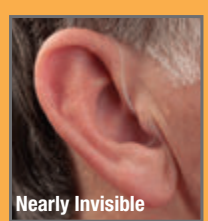

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a lifetime of being told no. But look, [she and her brother] are definitely street-smart. Celebrity is complicated, and it's not easy growing up in the public eye and experiencing fame second-hand. I'm extremely proud of the way they've navigated that.

Did you all spend the height of the pandemic together? I remember we were shooting *City on a Hill* in March [of 2020] and got a call that they were shutting down production. I went out to L.A. with my wife; my son had just moved to L.A. and hadn't found a place yet, so he was staying with us. The three of us went into lockdown together.

Does the fact that you don't have an Oscar nomination rankle you at all? I'd love to get one. There's only one reason why I haven't, and that's because members of the Academy haven't seen anything I've done that they thought was of Oscar value. What's great about the Oscar thing is that it opens up opportunities, because it helps certain movies get made. It's a little harder to get parts when you don't have "Oscar winner" or "Oscar nominee" in front of your name. Maybe it will happen someday. Maybe it won't.

Do you really still need opportunities opened for you, at this point? Of course I do! I never take my career for granted. I've seen a lot of actors just fall away for whatever reason. Life can knock you down. I hope to keep working for a long time, and I feel so lucky to still be at it.

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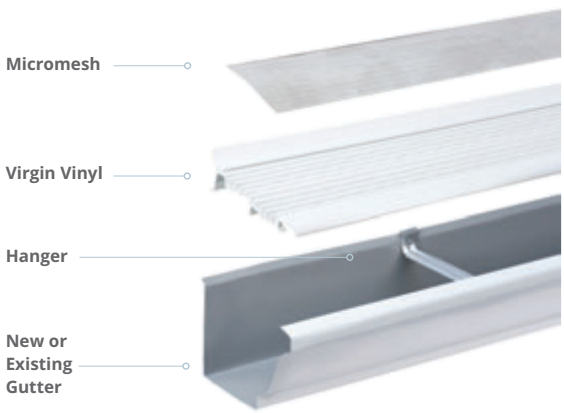

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By Kathleen McCleary

Creating new habits isn't easy. Of the 41 percent of Americans who make New Year's resolutions, only 9 percent feel they are successful at keeping them. It's not willpower either; a 2020 study found that self-control has little effect on habit formation. What does matter: doing something that makes you feel successful when you do it, so you're motivated to do it again and again. "It's the emotion you feel that creates habit," says BJ Fogg, Ph.D., author of *Tiny Habits* and founder of the Behavior Design Lab at Stanford University. Whether you want to create a habit of going to bed earlier, exercising more frequently or even responding more calmly when you're frustrated, here's where to begin.

1. FIGURE OUT WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU "Use your values to guide your habit," says Alice Boyes, Ph.D., author of *Stress-Free Productivity*. Losing weight, for example, is not a value, it's an outcome. If you want to exercise more, what values are you reflecting? Maybe "caring" is key and you want to be around a long time to care for your kids or grandkids. "Find the value behind the habit you want," Boyes says.

2. MAKE IT SMALL "The key is to set the bar low and keep it low; if you do more, you count it as extra credit," says Fogg. You set yourself up to feel successful because you're overachieving. You may decide to create a new habit of doing two pushups before every meal; as time goes on you may do four pushups before a meal, or 10, because your ability increases and your motivation increases because you notice how strong you feel.

3. ESTABLISH A PROMPT Train yourself to adopt a new behavior by choosing a cue—putting your gym bag by the front door before you go to bed, laying out a piece of floss next to your toothbrush, doing two jumping jacks after you turn on the coffee maker in the morning.

4. CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS EVERY TIME Saying you'll reward yourself with a fancy set of workout clothes after going to the gym for a month won't get you out of bed every morning. What will: the feeling of success you get when you give yourself a small reward, whether that's a bite of chocolate or a high-five.

5. DON'T BE RIGID If you focus only on maintaining a streak—say, going to the gym every day for 60 days—you may feel it's not worth continuing if you break that streak. "Extreme rigidity of habit is not generally associated with mental health," Boyes says. Stay connected to the original reason you developed a new habit, like staying healthy to be a better parent or partner.

6. CREATE HABITS TO REGULATE YOUR EMOTIONS "A lot of the really important habits—how we relate to other people, the strength of our long-term relationships—are based on how we respond to internal triggers," says Boyes. Fogg has created a habit of saying to himself, "Everybody is doing the best they can; nobody tries to screw up," whenever he's frustrated by someone taking too long at the checkout counter or failing to move when a traffic light turns green. "It's made me more compassionate," he says.

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